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Sergeant Uses Hypnotic Skill To Cure Stuttering, Seasickness, Chain Smoking

Reminders

Today

Bridge Drive, European YMCA, for Civilian and Servicemen, 8 p.m.
 HK Football Association, Council meeting, Prince's Bldg, 5.30 p.m.
 HK Light Orchestra, rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral, 6.45 p.m.
 Urban Council meeting, GPO Bldg, 4.15 p.m.
 HK Rotary Club, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, talk on "Peace" by Sir Leslie Gibson, 12.30 p.m.
 HK Football Club, annual meeting, Happy Valley, 6 p.m.
 Kowloon Union Church, Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
 Mahjong Lessons (Servicemen free), European YMCA, 8 p.m.
 Tee H meeting, 50, MacDonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
 Dr. C. F. Wong will be the speaker at the Kowloon Rotary Club meeting at Peninsula Hotel on Thursday. His subject will be "The Spirit of Rotary."
THURSDAY
 Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
 Y's Men's Club, luncheon, Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
 Darnstomers variety show, European YMCA (for troops), 8 p.m.

Weather Hits Kai Tak Operations

The heavy rain and misty weather which set in early yesterday afternoon interfered with flight operations at Kai Tak for more than four hours. Many flights were diverted from the colony due to the extremely poor visibility. Flights on schedule to take off from Canton for Hong Kong were signalled to remain grounded.

This kept the Hong Kong-Canton operations suspended during the afternoon until nearly 4 p.m.
 A Pan American DC4 from Manila was the last plane to come in before the field was declared unsafe by the authorities.
 Another Pan American plane (from Bangkok) circled over the colony then made out for Manila. PAA's two outward flights were also kept waiting.
 The Trans-Asia plane from Bangkok diverted to Canton and waited there until the weather improved.
 Shortly after 3 p.m. the Civil Aviation Department declared the field closed. Just before that, a CPA plane took off but returned to Kai Tak when the weather proved unsafe.
 The only plane to make a landing at Kai Tak during the bad weather spell was BOAC's flying boat from Singapore.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY SPUR

Canton, August 1.
 After 18 months' building, an important 20-mile railway spur has been added to the main Canton-Hankow railway at Ping-shih, Northern Kwangtung.
 The railway, which will be opened officially today, runs to the coal-mining centre of Kouya-tung, which translated means "dog tooth cave."
 The first load over the new track will be 600 tons of coal for Canton.—Reuter.



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Sergeant Stanley Phipps of the Army Kinema Corps picked up hypnotism from a relative, who is an expert, during his furloughs. Thanks to his experience several passengers including three Royal Air Force wives aboard HMT Empire Windrush, on which he is in charge of the AKC Section, were relieved from such maladies as seasickness, stuttering and chain-smoking.

"I am interested in this art only from a medical point of view and not for entertainment purposes," the 25-year-old Hampshire serviceman told the "China Mail" yesterday. Hypnotism plays an important role in curing nerve ailments and it should be given more prominence in medical science, he advocates.

Recalling the trip from the United Kingdom on the troopship, which brought further reinforcements for the colony's Garrison recently, Sergeant Phipps said that his first patient was "black" Monroe, an RANF ship's orderly, who stuttered badly. "En route from Port Said to Singapore, Monroe underwent regular treatment and his stuttering disappeared completely. But at Singapore the orderly wanted to experiment on curing it by himself. His stuttering returned. However, it is not so bad just now. With four weeks more of regular treatment Monroe could have cured his ailment entirely. "Just before reaching Colombo three women, wives of RAF personnel who were among some 20 service families aboard the vessel, went down with seasickness. "At the suggestion of Monroe, I treated them successfully," Sergeant Phipps recollected.

The Chain-Smoker

His next cure was a civilian chain-smoker, whom he could not identify. "The patient was smoking away at the rate of 30 cigarettes a day. After being hypnotised, he cut down to one cigarette a day and maintained this ration till he disembarked here."

Sergeant Phipps also recalled that treatment of his fatigued boy who recovered from seasickness after he was brought out from a three-minute "blackout." The boy carried on his work in good condition. "Hailing from the Midlands, Scotland, Bellinger, Tidworth, Hampshire, Sergeant Phipps said he learned the art from a relative, Mr. W. Means, who is a hypnotic expert. "During my visits to my relative, I picked it up and spent most of my time on the art," he said.

To demonstrate his skill Sergeant Phipps picked out a staff photographer and put him to sleep. "Think of nothing but listen to what I say. Lower your eyelids and go to sleep," he repeated solemnly at the same time peering into the patient's eyes.

It was not more than three minutes before the patient dropped his head in obedience with a heavy sigh. "You cannot lift your arms from the chair," this was repeated twice. Despite his visible efforts to lift his arms they would not move. A smart slap on the face woke him up—a little dazed but in normal condition.

Falls Backwards
 Experimenting on another member of the staff Sergeant Phipps placed two hands on his shoulders, stood behind him and "willed" him to fall backwards. The patient did as instructed. He woke up instantly as Sergeant Phipps caught him as he fell back.

"While hypnotism is good for medical needs it is harmful in inexperienced hands," he declared. The hypnotist must be of strong will and must keep his head clear under any emergency. "A slip and loss of control might lead to fatal results," he asserted.

Sergeant Phipps leaves today by the Empire Windrush for Hong.

Troops At Work In Australian Coal Fields
 Sydney, August 1.
 Troops began work at the open-cast coal field at Miami near Newcastle, New South Wales, today, as the Australian miners' strike entered its sixth week. Work by troops was also beginning today in six other New South Wales open-cast fields. A number of miners watched the troops and a police detachment stood by. The Commonwealth and New South Wales Governments last week decided to use Servicemen to work open-cast coal fields not affected by the strike. —Reuter.

Standard Medical Fees Urged

A standard scale of medical fees that doctors may charge their patients, is among proposals which the Chinese Reform Association will soon be making to Government.

The matter, it is understood, is still in the exploratory stage, and concrete proposals are being formulated for the consideration of Government. "The matter of medical fees has been a sore point with the Chinese public for a long time, and complaints have from time to time cropped up in the vernacular press. The general tenor of the complaints is that there is no uniform scale of charges, and in many cases the charges are beyond the reach of the majority of patients. Charges made by certain medical practitioners for medicine supplied from their private dispensaries have also been criticised. The position has been aggravated recently by the increased number of people seeking medical aid as a result of the heat, and consultation rooms of most doctors have, more often than not, been crisscrossed with patients."

Military Equipment Arrives

Military equipment, including 23 "Wasp" tractors, arrived here yesterday from the United Kingdom in the ss. Carthage.

The colony's largest floating crane now lies alongside to haul the armoured vehicles from the ship on to the Kowloon Wharf, where the Carthage berths. "But because of the rain, the unloading operation was delayed till some time today. The passenger liner disembarked more than 150 passengers here yesterday. Among those who arrived were Mr. E. A. C. McMurrah, Mr. J. C. Eskin-Hill, Mr. G. A. Abba, Miss C. Birchmore, Mr. J. R. Carr, Mr. and Mrs. A. Charlton, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. T. Smithers, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Waller, Mr. A. F. A. F. Hedges, Sister L. Cuzzaniga, Mr. P. W. Coxell, Mr. K. J. Jordan, Mr. J. J. Parker, Dr. C. Pang, Mrs. M. F. A. Pierotti, Miss E. M. Moran, Mrs. J. A. Roberts, Mrs. L. M. Rogers, Sister A. Sampson, Mr. A. F. Sergeant, Mr. G. E. Teller and Mr. G. Steward.

Malaya Attacks Housing Problem



Unlike the Hong Kong Government, the Malayan authorities are going ahead with a plan to solve the acute housing problem there. Captain C. O. Jennings, of the Kuala Lumpur Town Board, has adopted a new method in dealing with a big blum scheme. He is building small, detached houses, which cost only HK\$400 each in the nearby area of Sungai Besi. The houses are built on plots, each about 100 sq. yds. and are built in three hours to build an important factor in solving Malaya's housing shortage. The picture shows Captain C. O. Jennings of the Kuala Lumpur Town Board, standing in front of one of the houses. He has erected 223 houses in the area.

Cures Insomnia, Too



This is what one of the "China Mail" photographers looked like after Sergeant Phipps was through with him. And we guarantee that he was definitely out for the count! ("China Mail" Photo).

British Export Drive Aids Far East Trade

The Survey for 1948 by the United Nations Commission for Asia and the Far East, points out that the British export drive has been instrumental in the development of considerable volume of multilateral trade—regarded as the world's economical goal—both inside and outside the region.

The Report shows that although there is a trend towards a certain amount of confusion in the fact that the bulk of trade in 1948 was intra-regional, there was also a marked increase in imports from the United Kingdom by India, Burma and Ceylon and since they and one or two other countries are members of the sterling area, multilateral trade is developing.

Production and trade figures were higher than in 1947 but were still on the whole below pre-war figures. The Report describes the progress made as neither substantial nor satisfactory.

From being an exporter of food the region is now an importer and the four per cent decline in production of cereals, Asia's staple diet, has been accompanied by an overall increase of 10% in population—the expectation being that this pressure will become still greater under the impact of industrialisation and the falling death rate.

The Survey notes that in international trade 1947 marked a distinct improvement in all respects. The value of both exports and imports increased, an overall adverse balance of trade declined and some countries notably Malaya, Ceylon and Pakistan even achieved a trade surplus.

On the subject of Japanese trade the Report points out that in most countries in the region there is a reluctance to renew full scale trade relations with Japan, mainly out of fear of Japanese resurgence and the desire to seize former markets. However, the Report emphasises that Japanese economy can be maintained only by a large volume of exports to pay for food and raw materials.

Difficult Spot
 It is China, says the Report, which remains the difficult spot of Asian recovery. The civil war, falling production and galloping inflation have created a vicious circle described as "catastrophic."

The figures alone tell the story. Coal production last year was down to 13,800,000 tons compared to the wartime peak 400,000,000 tons; pig iron was 10,000 tons compared to the pre-war average of 1,550,000 tons; steel production was 40,000 tons compared to 810,000 tons and so on.

In general terms Asia and the Far East are seen to be entering into a new age of independence economic development based upon production of industrial goods and services and upon a more fully developed and diversified economy.

Outside help by foreign investment and the provision of technical assistance for the development of the Far East is seen to be essential. The United Nations Survey, it was said, is a study of the economic situation of the United Nations area and it was of President Truman's Fourth Policy.

Plane Resumes Flight After Forced Landing

The Air France Skymaster F-BELK took off from Hainan Island for Saigon at 7.05 p.m. yesterday after having made a forced landing there two hours before. "The plane took off from Hong Kong for Saigon early yesterday afternoon. In the vicinity of Hainan Island, the plane developed engine trouble which prompted the skipper to bring her down at Hainan Airport in Hainan at 4.52 p.m. according to a statement issued by the Hong Kong office of Air France, which added that all passengers and crew were safe."

Cease Fire In Indonesia Announced

(Continued from Page 1)

"Congratulations are in order and the Commission commends the participants on the progress they have made in the last few days."

"The Commission is convinced that today's agreement will be implemented in the same co-operative spirit in which it has been reached and that Indonesia will progressively move away from an unhappy era to the beginning of a new relationship between the peoples of the Netherlands and the people of Indonesia," Mr. Critchley said.

"In this spirit we can look forward to the round-table conference at the Hague, beginning shortly, in an atmosphere of co-operation."

"Further we can look forward to the speedy achievement of a final settlement, which is the goal of all of us."

Mr. Critchley said that the last meeting ended the Batavia discussions, which began on April 14, following the Security Council resolution of January 28 and its directive of March 23.

Dr. Jan van Royen, leader of the Dutch delegation, said: "We are now on the right road towards the goal the Netherlands people have set themselves for a long time—the transfer of sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia, and ending friendship and last in co-operation between the USI and the Netherlands in the Netherlands-Indonesia Union."

"It is of course easy to cast doubts on the success of the implementation of the cease fire order and of the results of the coming conference. There are indeed many real difficulties and many real obstacles on the road ahead but there are also, as we have learned from experience in the recent past, many fears which are only figments of the imagination."

Mutual Respect

"Let us therefore proceed and persevere in a spirit of mutual respect and comprehension, for the end we all have in view, holds such infinite rewards that it is worth all hardship and disappointment of the journey."

Dr. Van Royen thanked the Commission for helping the negotiations to a successful close. Dr. Mohammad Roem, leader of the Republican delegation, said that one of the most important results achieved so far was "the opening of hearts which were closed and the restoration of confidence which was lost."

Enmity was replaced by mutual confidence, and a real will to co-operate. "The continuation of co-operation of both parties will strengthen confidence and that real co-operation is the best way to peace and prosperity for both countries in times to come."

Although the present cease fire did not mean that all issues had been solved—"as there is a further great political conflict waiting for settlement"—today's agreement could lead to a settlement of all pending problems, Dr. Roem said.

Addressing the United Nations Commission, he declared: "Your patience is inexhaustible and there was not a time when we were not received with open arms."—Reuter.

Chinese Red Army Anniversary

Shanghai, August 1.
 Communist celebrated today the 22nd anniversary of the establishment of a Chinese Red Army. Pro-Communist Chinese newspapers said the Army had grown from 20,000 to 4,000,000 men. In Peking, Communist leader Mao Tse-tung said the backbone of the Chinese Red Army is the farmer. He said the Army grew as the farmers were liberated and this is different from any other Chinese army in history. Mayor Chen Yi of Shanghai predicted that within "one more year China will be completely liberated" and that the Chinese Red Army will be automatically enlarged. —Associated Press.

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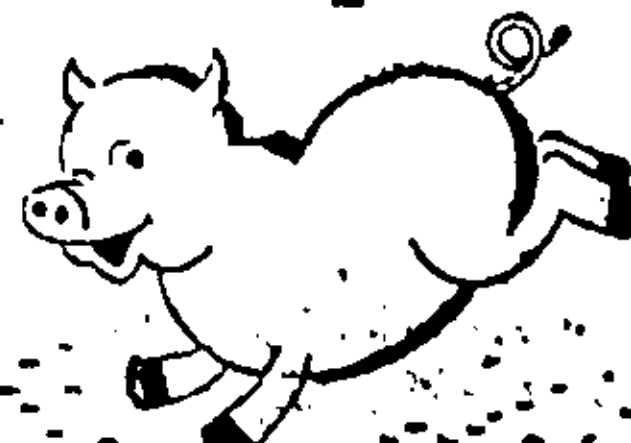
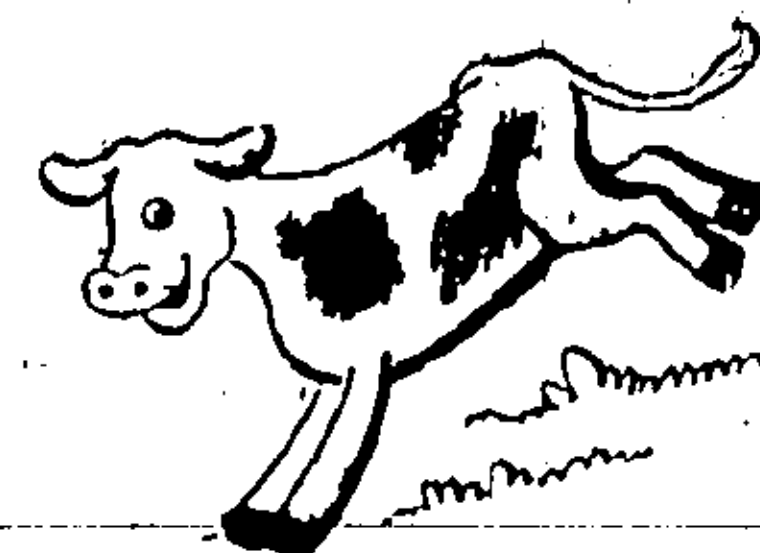


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INAUGURATION

Because of the political machinations of Tibet's
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chen Lama, spiritual head of all Tibetans,
in North West China early this month.

Mr. J. Black, of the National Resources Commis-
sion, Nanking, described to the "China Mail"
his experiences and impressions of the Kum
Bum lamastery, where the Panchen Lama
lives, his meeting with the Panchen Lama
last August, and the political background of
Panchen's early inauguration.

Mr. Black went to Tibet
with a Chinese Government
mission last autumn, and stay-
ed there for three months.

He said that the enthronement
of Kwan Tao Chan Tan, the Pan-
chen Lama, as the living Buddha,
was a complex political move to
hold Tibetans to Nationalist
China, through the Moslem Gov-
ernor of Chinghai, Ma Pu-fang.

He said that the stage was set
in Tibet now for the start of an-
other game of political intrigue.
He added: "The arch enemy of
the Panchen Lama is the Dalai
Lama of Lhasa, the temporal
leader of Tibetans."

"Recently, the Dalai Lama ex-
pelled Chinese Government Re-
presentatives from Lhasa, the
Tibetan capital. This was un-
doubtedly at the insistence of the
Russians, who hold important in-
fluence over the Dalai."

"The early inauguration of the
young Panchen is a counter-
move and though he is only
14 years old, he carries consid-
erable weight in Tibet, and un-
doubtedly, decisions on his behalf
would be made by the powerful
anti-Communist general, Ma Pu-
fang, whom the Central Govern-
ment recently appointed com-
mander of the North West pro-
vinces."

Mr. Black said that the prin-
cipal importance of Tibet to
Russia and China is that Tibet is
a buffer state separating Russia,
India and China.

In Mr. Black's opinion, how-
ever, since the Panchen Lama is
only the spiritual head of Tibet,
it is doubtful whether the Pan-
chen can influence the practical
workings of the Tibetan govern-
ment. He added that there was
no doubt that the Dalai Lama is
directly under Communist in-
fluence.

Describing Kum Bum lamastery,
where the inauguration will be
held, Mr. Black said, "The main

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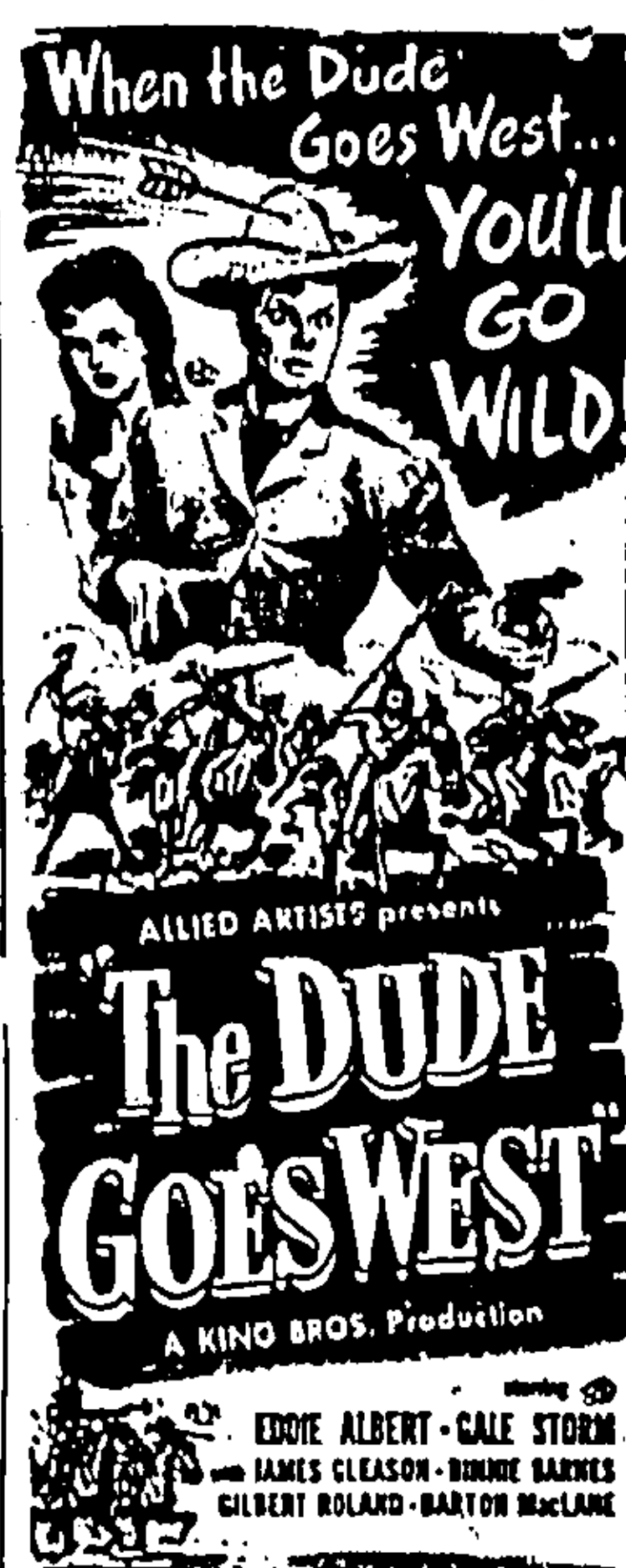
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your partner's long suit may
seem fine at first glance, but
they may constitute blockers
that keep you from running the
rest of the suit in a No Trump
contract. Unless he has an en-
try in some other suit, you re-
quire one or more low cards in
order to lead into his hand and
score whatever long cards get
established. If you choose his
suit as trumps instead, you are
sure to be able to reach his hand
by means of a ruff, to use his
remaining assets or lead for
finesses.

West led the spade 4, the 5 going
on from dummy and East being
smart enough to play the 6, hold-
ing his K to kill off the Q later
when it might be an important
re-entry. South took that first
trick with the J, promptly ran
his three heart tops, then tried
to get into the dummy to score
the remaining three. He led the
club 2 to the K, but the A killed
it. East returned the diamond
5, the 3 going on and the J win-
ning. West also scored the dia-
mond A and returned the 8 to
the K.

Now South tried to reach the
dummy by leading the spade 10
and putting up the Q. But East
thwarted that with the K, then
rashed the diamond Q and 7 to
set him two.

If South had been able to swap
his heart Q for any of the low
cards held by East and West, he
would have been all right. The
lack of such a low heart beat
him, whereas game would have
been easy at 4-Hearts, which he
should have bid on his last turn,
as success of the spade finesse
would have caused him to have
only three losers.

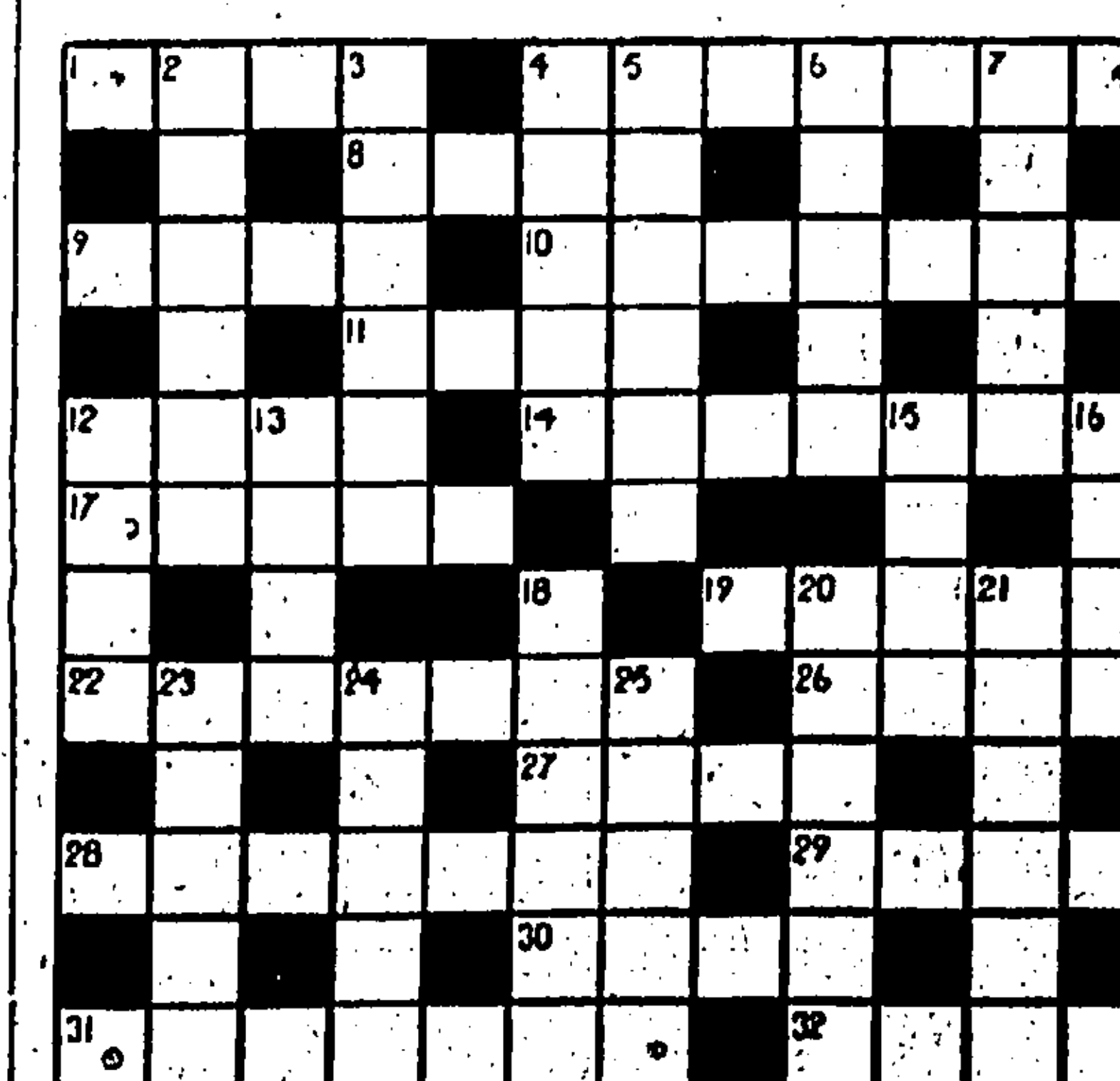
Tomorrow's Problem
S K Q 6 4 2
H 4
C A 8 6 2
D 9 8 7 5 3
S 9 8 7 4
H 10 4
D A J 8
C J 10 7 6

South preferred the No Trump-
er to hearts because his hand
was "flat," with no short suit
where he could ruff. He there-
fore felt the same number of
trick-takers should be available
in that contract as in hearts.
Since nine would make game in
No Trumps and ten would be
needed for a heart game, he
favoured the former.

He was right in believing nine
trick-takers would be in sight at
No Trumps, but he was unable
to use them all, being blocked
from the dummy's long hearts.

(Dealer: North. Neither side
vulnerable).
If normal, but optimistic bid-
ding, puts North into 7-Spades,
what should East lead?

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4 Foundation.
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6 Twist.
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8 Dumb.
12 Ancestor.
15 Heal.

ACROSS—1 Tomtom, 5 Heart,
8 Papal, 9 Morlar, 10 Badge, 11
Licit, 12 Laps, 13 Tests, 14 De-
sire, 15 Claret, 16 Scene, 22
Sedition, 23 Sentence, 24 Dresses,
25 Cements, 26 Anoint, 27 Crude,
28 Raps.
DOWN—1 Tumblers, 2 Mort-
gaged, 3 Opal, 4 Mariner, 5
Habitat, 6 Elated, 7 Right, 8
Habitat, 9 Sentence, 10 Dresses,
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EUROPE GETS RELIEF FROM THE HEAT WAVE

London, July 31.

With the exception of Central France, where the dry spell entered its 52nd day, West Europe's heat wave today generally shows signs of breaking, but the Eastern seaboard of the United States continues hot.

Britain, including London, had intermittent light rain. The sharp change from sunshine to showers scattered thousands of August Bank holiday crowds at the seaside, so used to sunshine that they were not provided with waterproofs.

A cold wind with rain swept Holland. Belgium had rainstorms after a morning of sunshine, and the temperature fell sharply in Eastern Germany.

Across the Atlantic, thunderstorms brought relief to New Yorkers, sweltering in the city's "hottest ever day."

Brussels' Belgium's five-week drought ended today when rainstorms broke over most of the country. They came as a surprise in the late afternoon after a morning of splendid sunshine, with a shade temperature of 20 degrees Centigrade.

Holiday-makers on the coast were caught by the downpour. Women in flimsy frocks at Ostend hurried for shelter.

Weather officials predict only a temporary respite. It may rain tomorrow, but Tuesday's forecast is hot and sunny again.

The heat wave was unbroken in Paris today. The noon temperature was 31 degrees Centigrade.

The forecast for the Paris region and the rest of France, ex-

cept for the Channel and the North Sea coast, is continuing fine, hot and sunny.

The Channel coast was promised cloud and some showers, clearing tomorrow.

Berlin's Cloudy skies and strong West winds today interrupted a series of warm summer days. There was no rain but temperatures fell back to 10 degrees Centigrade during the night and reached only 17 degrees Centigrade in the afternoon.

Badminton Observatory forecast windy weather with some rain in the next few days.

The Hague: After a fortnight's exceptionally hot and sunny weather, it rained all day today with a cold wind that kept holiday-makers indoors.

Temperatures dropped from between 26 to 29 degrees Centigrade to about 18 degrees Centigrade. Today's Grand Prix motor races at Zandvoort were run in driving rain.

New York: Thunderstorms today relieved New York's intense heat wave.

Temperatures were still very high on the Eastern seaboard. At Newark, New Jersey, the temperature soared to 38 degrees Centigrade. It was 37 degrees Centigrade at Portland, Maine.

About 10,000 people spent last night on the beach at Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Unofficial statistics said that at least 76 people had died as a result of the hot spell.

Rome: Hundreds of thousands of Romans fled to the sea today to escape the stifling atmosphere of the capital, where the thermometer showed a temperature reading of 35 degrees Centigrade.

Similar temperatures are reported throughout Italy. The continued hot dry spell is playing havoc with the crops and further electricity cuts are threatened as the mountain streams supplying hydro-electric stations have run dry.

London: Intermittent light rain fell in most parts of Britain, including London, in the night and early morning, clearing over London in the afternoon.

The sharp change from sunshine to showers scattered thousands of August Bank Holiday crowds at the seaside.

High winds and choppy seas spoiled Channel bathing and sailing at some places and in the Dover area "no bathing" signals were hoisted.—Reuter.

ANGELA WANTS A CHURCH WEDDING

London, July 31.

The British actress, Angela Lansbury, said today that she will marry the Hollywood set designer, Peter Shaw, in a London church about August 12.

The platinum-haired star, born in the Coney Island district, planned to marry in historic Old Bow Church around the corner from her birthplace.

But a previous marriage to the actor, Richard Cromwell, ended in divorce, and the Bow Vicar refused to marry a divorced person.

She still insists on being married in a church and is still looking for a churchman who will marry her and Peter.

Under the Church of England a divorced person may be married in a church if the Vicar agrees.

"In the meantime," Angela said, "we are having a great family reunion and doing a lot of sightseeing."—Associated Press.

RAF TEMPESTS FOR PAKISTAN

Nicosia, July 31.

Thirteen Tempest fighters, bearing the Pakistan insignia, passed through Nicosia Airport today, bound for Pakistan.

Eleven were piloted by Royal Pakistan Air Force pilots, accompanied by two British pilots.—Reuter.

Churchill Escapes A Ducking

Gardons, July 31.

The motor boat in which Mr. Winston Churchill was riding sprang a leak and sank but the former British Premier failed to get wet.

Mr. Churchill barely had time to transfer to another craft with his case and paints when the boat in which he was crossing the lake to the Eastern shore sank several yards off the jetty in front of his hotel.

The second boat brought him safely to Saint Vigilio Point where he painted the landscape.—United Press.

Referendum On Military Service

Wellington, July 31.

A referendum on whether or not there should be peacetime conscription in New Zealand will probably be held early in August.

A bill providing for the referendum has been introduced in Parliament by the Prime Minister, Peter Fraser.

At the same time, Mr. Fraser explained details of the Government's provisional conscription scheme.

It would provide that all British male subjects ordinarily residing in New Zealand register on reaching the age of 18 and be called up for training a year later.

They would serve 14 weeks in the armed services and would have to take two weeks reserve training annually for the next three years.

It is estimated that an average of 13,500 men would be affected each year, Mr. Fraser said.—United Press.

GINGER ROGERS' MARRIAGE OVER

Hollywood, July 31.

The film actress, Miss Ginger Rogers, and her husband, Jack Briggs, have separated after six years of marriage. Her mother, Mrs. Lela Rogers, disclosed that the break-up had occurred.

Miss Rogers, who is 37, has been married twice before.—Reuter.

Liege, July 31.
A Ukrainian miner who escaped from his police escort on the way to be questioned about the death of a Polish miner was later found in a policeman's house, hiding under a bed.—Reuter.

SOCIALIST PARTY MISSION VISITS KING LEOPOLD

Geneva, July 31.

M. Paul-Henri Spaak, Acting Belgian Prime Minister, arrived here tonight with a Socialist Party Mission to see King Leopold at his villa in Pregny.

M. Spaak was accompanied by M. Jules Joseph Merlot, Minister of Pensions, and M. Anton Spiney, Socialist Deputy and Burgomaster of Malines.

The fourth member of the party registered at the hotel as M. Georges Prosper de Bleeck, an industrialist.

The four men made the 12-hour journey from Brussels in a big, black Cadillac. On their arrival they went straight to their rooms in one of Geneva's leading hotels for a rest.

M. Spaak and his party left the hotel at 7.30 p.m. local time, saying that they were going to see the King.

M. Merlot, member of the Belgian Socialist Party Executive, told correspondents: "The Socialist Party decided to send three delegates to try to clarify the situation which must be solved in the interests not only of Belgium but of Europe."

M. Merlot said that the Socialist Party's policy has not changed.

Not Against Monarchy
"The Socialist Party has never declared itself against the Monarchy as such. This is a situation resulting from the war."

When M. Spaak joined the others he brushed past correspondents waiting in the hall of his hotel with the words: "No, I have no declaration to make, either now or tomorrow."

De Bleeck, the fourth member of the party, said: "I am only the chauffeur."

The party then drove by a de-

BRITONS' HEALTH BETTER

Pittsburgh, July 31.

A British industrialist, one of a group touring the United States to study methods of cutting production costs, says that Britons are healthier than they were before the war.

Bertram White, Technical Director of the Federation of British Industries, said that though the austerity programme still prevails, Britons are not starving and on the whole are healthier than before the war.

The tour is sponsored by the Economic Co-operation Administration.

The industrialists are the advance guard of a large number of European experts coming to America to study American workmanship.

In Pittsburgh they discussed industrial methods with district engineers and manufacturers.—Associated Press.

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AMETHYST ESCAPE

British hearts all over the world are glad today because of a small but significant incident—the daring escape of the sloop Amethyst from Communist captivity in the Yangtze. Held under intolerable conditions of heat and confinement, the reduced ship's complement on instructions from London broke successfully from the embrace of the glorious people's state, her guns speaking defiance before she crashed through the boom.

This is in the best traditions of the Royal Navy, and typical of the British qualities of enterprise and courage against odds—the traits which the spoon-feeding welfare state is doing its best to dissipate at home. It is, in fact, surprising that the order from Whitehall was given at all, and we can well imagine the months of weak-kneed trembling and heart burning which Attlee and his grim-visaged crew experienced before allowing the order to go out. Be it to their credit that they eventually did give it.

This decision may mean the end of the indiscriminate policy of appeasement which was so obviously doomed to failure. It is probably necessary for Hong Kong to trade with China even under totalitarian rule, but let us do it on our terms, not theirs. The Shanghai holdings are not to be held by giving in to every whim of the conqueror.

Amethyst's escape brings to an end a miserable episode which reflects credit on no one but the officers and men who underwent the shelling and privations of that criminally futile display on April 20, when a warship was sent to carry consignments of non-essential comforts to our nationals in Nanking while opposing armies faced each other, finger on trigger, across the river. This was fantastic, but to make matters even more incredible to future historians, other valuable vessels were sent in after her—for what purpose has never been discovered. They could not possibly help Amethyst, and were, of course, damaged themselves. British prestige in the Far East sank to a new low level.

Now we have a little of our own back, and local people speaking of Mao and company yesterday said rightly, "Is their face red?"

Of course we can expect reprisals. Britons in Shanghai and Nanking are reported to have rejoiced openly, while at the same time feeling sure that they will be made to pay. There can be little doubt that their apprehensions are correct. The indirect terrorism until now mostly concentrated on the Americans will probably be extended to British residents also. It may, however, be tempered by the Communists' long-term needs, and their present intentions to use Hong Kong as a trading base for essential requirements.

We are glad to learn that the Navy this time does not intend the returning ship to enter our harbour under a virtual cloak of secrecy. Amethyst is tentatively due about 11 a.m. tomorrow, more detailed information to be announced in Wednesday morning's paper.

It is true that Hong Kong is biased about the arrival of warships, but this is a special occasion, and in this instance we would strongly urge all once again

SAIGON AND THE STRANGER

By A "China Mail" Reporter

It may be perfectly true to speak of Saigon as the Paris of the Far East. But not to a Frenchman, for he will only be amused and say in his own eccentric way: "Ah, it is evident that you have not been to Paris!"

The foremost impression gained by the Stranger upon arrival at Saigon proper was the amazing outward calm of its inhabitants, although tense, dormant unrest existed hardly outside its city limits.

The city is divided into two distinct parts, down town, Saigon, predominated by Europeans, and the native Annamites; and Cholon, the city's vast, busy, rice-milling China-town.

Saigon is smaller than Hong Kong but it is less compact. Broad avenues and boulevards spread the city out and its proportionately smaller buildings fit into the city to give it a clean comfortable look.

The city, at present, is just a big spurge of khaki. An estimated more than 60,000 French troops are quartered in Saigon, which has more soldiers than any other city in Indo-China.

The troops are stationed in Saigon and permanently alerted to deal with emergencies in the suburbs and beyond. Daily patrols are conducted by troops from the city. But activities of the subversive elements, the Vietnamese, are at a minimum compared with a year ago.

Nevertheless precautions are being taken by the French authorities. The Vietnamese—a rebellious Communist faction led by Dr. Ho Chi-minh—were organized in the underground within the city. Recently a stir is raised and a grenade thrown. Recently for instance, the Nam Kwong Theatre in Rue Verdun was the scene of a Vietnamese sabotage, and a young French girl was killed when a piece of shrapnel lodged in her abdomen.

Curfew Enforced

All night and day, patrolling Military Police in trucks tour the whole city. Curfew is enforced for five hours beginning at midnight. Apart from this, Saigon lives the remainder of the day in striking unconcern.

Saigon, like any other Westernized city in the East, presents its share of enchanting contrast. The city's transportation—something that will hold the visitor interested—along its long roads and boulevards, Frenchmen and natives alike travel by assorted means.

The most popular means of conveyance is the bicycle. Men and women, no matter what their profession, pedal the bike.

Housewives do their shopping

Scottish Air In Africa

To hear the traditional Scottish tune "Will Ye No Come Back Again?" sung by a crowd of enthusiastic Moors when their Sultan recently left Fez, Morocco, must have been a moving experience. Not only have the Moors adopted this song for the appropriate occasion but have also set another Scottish song, "Auld Lang Syne" to Arabic words.

It was a former Scottish Commander-in-Chief to the Sultan, the late Lord Sir Harry MacLagan, who originated musical evenings among the Moors and was probably responsible for teaching them this native air. Scottish links with Morocco are strong. You may meet a red-headed Moor who will tell you of a grandfather who was a Scot in MacLagan's forces and in Tangier there is actually a few-wearing Moorish guide who rejoices in the Scottish name of Charlie Guthrie.

Moreover, Morocco boasts a Scottish "saint", a shipwrecked sailor named McDowell who was rescued at Mogador centuries ago and devoted the rest of his days to good deeds. He is known now as Sidi Megdoul.

Finally, your own correspondent in Morocco, who provided this information is Donald McCormick, Scots enough himself.

patriotic citizens who can possibly afford the time to be at the dock when the gallant craft comes in. The Navy will have its welcoming "committee" there. Why not the government too? Why not have a band playing? Let the ladies be there in their prettiest dresses, and let's have some rousing cheers too.

Further, we would strongly recommend the Forces Welfare Committee to call an emergency meeting today, to see that hospitality and kindness are afforded these brave lads who have stood so much without breaking, and who after more than three months retained enough high devilment to cock their snooks at the Kremlin stooges, so that their fine patriotic spirit could sail in freedom we would strongly urge all once again

two wheels, school children ride them to classes and play. Men mount them to work and even their native annams seem perfectly at home with the machine.

Then there are several modifications of the rickshaw except the model requiring human propulsion. This was done away with by the French some time ago. In its place today there is the motorrick, the rickshaw and the donkey cart. The last mentioned is particularly popular around the suburbs of the city.

Taxis are few and they take full loads with passengers paying their share of the fare. The buses are invariably packed, and go about in bright colours advertising the city's merchandise. Trams too, contribute to the traffic all of which trade in "the wrong side of the road."

The French in Saigon lead an unhurried, easy life, spending most of their free time sipping and gossiping leisurely at the numerous, picturesque pavement cafes, or sauntering aimlessly along the boulevards, or cooling off in the spacious parks.

Busy Centre

The busy centre of the city is along Rue Catinaut. Here can be found all that makes Saigon. Shopping is concentrated along this road which is the main thoroughfare of the city. Here is also the pride of the city in hostelry, the Hotel Continental, the big department stores, Grand Magasin Charnier and the Nouve-

Grand Magasin Charnier and the Nouve-

Britain's New Baby Growing Up Fast

By GRAHAM STANFORD

Sarawak is Britain's youngest Colony and celebrates its third birthday this month.

No doubt you have read of this state of land on Borneo's North West coast, for the White Rajahs who ruled for a century and the head-hunters of old had world publicity.

It was ceded to Britain in 1946 by Sir Charles Vyner Brooke, last of the White Rajahs. For the past three years a hard-working band of Empire-builders have been struggling to carve out a new future for the land which is sometimes called "Malaya's poor relation."

How are they doing? In view of all the difficulties they should feel fairly proud of themselves.

An estimated budget deficit of more than £160,000 has been turned into a surplus of £350,000, and the so-called "poor relation" last year had a favourable trade balance of more than £9,000,000, with exports breaking all records at more than £20,000,000.

Democracy Liked

Descendants of the Dyak head-hunters are learning the laws of democratic rule, and one-third of the people are now under local authorities.

The present system is still far removed from the adult franchise, but to quote an official: "The Dyaks are taking to democracy as ducks take to water."

The whole country hangers for knowledge. Nearly half the population have no educational facilities, but, after a three-year struggle for schools and teachers, Sarawak now has 364 schools with 34,000 pupils and 125 student teachers in training.

Public health is improving and at the end of the year the country will have 14 travelling dispensaries instead of two.

Red Tape Slashed

Among all these Empire-builders there is a note of urgency, and I am glad to report that red tape is ruthlessly slashed to get on with the job.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Social Commissioner for South East Asia, is so sold on Sarawak that he is writing a book about it. Sarawak has certainly welcomed more "visiting friends" in the past three years than any other Colonial territory.

Experts have flown in from the Colonial Office. Even the United Nations Secretariat was anxious to take a look at Britain's new baby.

Sarawak is really a test case of how soon a British Colony can get on its feet.

The progress report includes the holding of the first population census, a country-wide search for coal, and an aerial topographical survey to comb out mineral resources.

One of the great handicaps lacking the Empire-builders is lack of information. Until the census they had no idea of the population, had no reports on the quality of agricultural land, and only the haziest idea of the extent of the Colony's mineral resources.

Experts Shocked

Slowly things are sorting themselves out and the Colony is taking shape. The majority of the population are farmers, but their primitive methods have horrified visiting experts.

auto's Catinaut. Hotel service standards are poor by comparison, however.

The most popular place for relaxation is the Croix de Sud on Catinaut. Here Frenchmen meet for their evening sip while a Filipino orchestra plays. Dancing at the Croix is on Saturday and Sunday only.

Sunday to the French in Saigon is a holiday and they take it very seriously. The parade on the street begins after Mass when at 11 a.m. all Saigon can be seen along Catinaut or sitting at the cafes of the Continental, the Croix or the Pacific.

Attire generally is extremely informal. The women are surprisingly simply dressed. Though less fashionable than the women of Hong Kong, the French seem to wear their clothing with greater ease and neatness. The shortage of dress material in Saigon is a reason for no extravagant made in the city.

Places interesting particularly to the newcomer are Saigon's two gardens, the Town Garden and the Jardin Botanique.

The gaiety of Saigon is now a thing of the past probably because of the curfew. The night clubs, function mostly in Cholon, the China-town connected with Saigon by the three-kilometre long road, the Boulevard de Gallieni.

The popular spot here is the Grand Monde, a ritzy entertainment house in the city, patronised mostly by the city's social elite and tourists.

Grand Monde provides the

platform for touring Parisienne entertainers. At the moment, the night club is featuring a well-known Paris ballet troupe which is remaining in Saigon for a three-month season, performing during the week-ends.

Grand Monde during the day is a busy house of gambling with roulette, fan-tan etc. calling the spare cash of eager speculators. Customers entering Grand Monde are searched by police parties and cameras are strictly forbidden.

Forbidden City

The Forbidden City, a conspicuous brothel in Cholon, is a large establishment on Gallieni and is patronised mostly by the military. Informants told the Stranger that many a dancing girl from Canton and particularly Hong Kong has found her way to Cholon.

In all, Saigon town life today is peaceful and calm.

Cost of living in Saigon is cheap and is estimated to be less than 80 per cent that of Hong Kong's. Foreign goods, however, are unobtainable or very expensive in the black market which is Saigon's lucrative business. A tin of Gold Flake cost three times the price in Hong Kong.

Saigon's housing problem is as serious as any other cities in the world today.

The people, however, seem content with their own standards and live the day hoping for settlement of its political affairs at the same time wanting very much to retain their own status.

To the visitor the people are polite and helpful, flattered when you tell them that they speak good English and unimpaired if you speak no French.

They avoid politics but once caught in a discussion, are out to convince you that they are doing right.

Perhaps the peace and tranquillity of Saigon—or is it the intriguing under-current of instability—can best be seen from the deserted streets of the city in the afternoon, when, under the bright hot sun, within their shuttered windows, the city takes its siesta, as the church bells peal the afternoon office of Saigon's Clergy.

Weather Trouble

Weather forecasts—the special holiday variety—are causing trouble in Switzerland.

In Zurich can be heard the complaints of thousands of would-be Swiss holidaymakers who have missed sunny week-ends at the coast and in the country because of faulty forecasts.

The trouble began at Easter when as late as Easter Saturday, the three-daily radio bulletins were forecasting a wet-week-end.

Listening in to the persistently gloomy forecasts the holiday-makers ignored the sunshine outside—and cancelled their holiday bookings. Yet Switzerland has its finest and warmest Easter on record.

Even then the disappointed holidaymakers were prepared to forgive and forget. Not so, however, when the same thing happened again. Writing direct to the Swiss Meteorological Station the holiday-makers protested furiously.

Now, writes Hugo Kuranda, with yet another faulty forecast given last week-end the protests of the holidaymakers have been joined by indignant letters from hotel and boarding house keepers.

Finding reservations cancelled even on the finest week-end the hoteliers are considering suing the Meteorological Station for "wilful damage" to their business.



Amethists the Commos are grinding their molars just at the moment.

That midnettes' strike in Paris seems to be pretty well sewn up.

Headlines in a contemporary yesterday:
 "Shanghai Factories."
 "Warned Not to Leave City."
 So even plant and buildings have now to follow the party line. I am told, though, that some of them wooden listen.

"Papa, why is American China policy all wet?"
 "Because the State Department has a headache!"

Thinking of what he accomplishes, Truman's eyes may get starry, but others get all Dr. way.

Chic Chick!
 (A pretty American woman is sitting on a 50ft. pole for two weeks in protest over the housing shortage).
 Giddy gladder roosting there. Fifty feet up in the air, Praps some passing millionaire With a lonely, lofty soul, May assist you gain your goal. Perch a love nest on your pole!

Some people in that African tribe seem to object to having a stenographer as Queen. Maybe she is just not their type.

Pin Ups Not Permitted
 Italian police will confiscate any photos of Winston Churchill in swimming togs. And no apolloquise!

"Typhoon" Heading For Taiwan? And everyone already running round in circles there.

Free For All
 The French Assembly certainly entered into the spirit of the Atlantic Pact during the ratification debate.

Brevity is Soul Of Nitwit
 "Adam Had 'Em" says Ripley is a short pun and "Why" is even shorter....How about....
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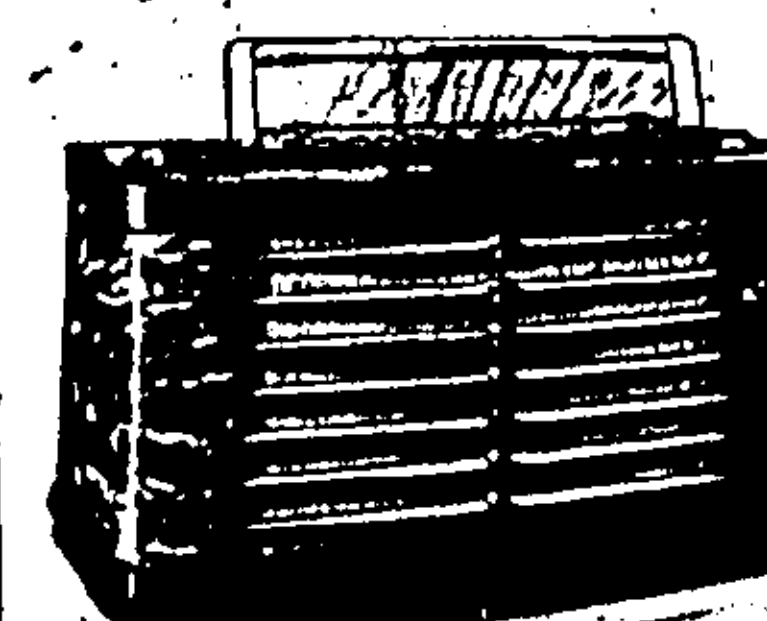
The "Little Gem"
 What ship is at present the brightest jewel in the imperial Crown?

This "splice-the-mainbrace" is a rum sort of expression.

No Olive Branch
 The Russians are doing a lot of worrying about the American Noah's Ark business, or their front. Putting two and two together, as it were?

A Prince from Apla has lost his pearls in San Francisco. "Never mind," he says, "Samea where they came from."

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'LET COME WHAT MAY' REACTION TO ESCAPE

Jubilation Over Escape Of HMS Amethyst TALK OF REPRISALS

Shanghai, July 31.

Happiness of Shanghai's foreign colony over the escape of the British sloop Amethyst has so far been untempered by fear of reprisals by the Communists against Britons caught in China.

This is not because the British have no fear of reprisals—they think that Communist reaction is extremely probable and likely to take an unpleasant form.

For the moment, however, the British and all foreigners are so glad that Amethyst got away that there is an attitude of "Let come what may."

Many Britons first learned of Amethyst's escape during Church services this morning. Voluntary rejoicing took place.

So far there has been no Communist reaction, official or otherwise.

A despatch from the Associated Press Staff Correspondent, Seymour Topping, in Nanking reported the possibility of bitter Communist reaction due to the great loss of face.

He said that Amethyst's position had been desperately bad at her enforced anchorage due to temperatures of 120 degrees and depleted supplies.

It was announced in London today that Lieutenant-Commander J. S. Kerans, Commander of Amethyst, was authorised to make the ship's spectacular escape from Communist captivity on the Yangtze River yesterday in view of persistent Communist refusal to give the ship normal facilities and a safe conduct.

According to a joint statement by the Foreign Office and the Admiralty, the authority was given because after three months the Commander had not succeeded in obtaining a safe conduct upon acceptable terms and the conditions for the ship's company were steadily deteriorating.

Red Demand Unacceptable

The Communist authorities had refused to discuss the responsibility for the April shelling of Amethyst with the British Ambassador at Nanking, the statement said.

Instead, local Communist military authorities made the unacceptable demand that Lieutenant-Commander Kerans sign a document admitting British responsibility for the incident in return for a safe conduct, it added.

Because of his refusal the stricken ship with the 86 remnants of her crew was detained 100 miles north West of Shanghai for three months under almost intolerable conditions of heat and confinements. Amethyst had been held captive since April 28, nine days after she first came under Communist shore battery attack while proceeding to Nanking on a humanitarian mission on behalf of the foreign community, in the statement's words.

A major battle ensued when the cruiser London, the sloop Black Swan and the destroyer Consort tried to fight their way up the river to her rescue. Total casualties in the four vessels included 44 dead.

"The British authorities always have been and still are ready to discuss responsibility for the April incident on an appropriate level," the statement said.

Rendezvous Today

Amethyst came under heavy fire at least twice and once was compelled to reply in self-defence, during the seven and a quarter hours in which she ran the gauntlet of Communist guns on her 150-mile passage to freedom at the mouth of the Yangtze, it was disclosed.

Naval quarters stated that the crucial part of the escape came when she had to break through a boom, the strength of which was uncertain. Her speed at this time is thought to have been well over 20 knots.

Meanwhile, Wayne Richardson, Associated Press correspondent on board HMS Jamaica, now on its way to rendezvous with Amethyst, says the cruiser is expected to reach Amethyst at 7 p.m. (Hong Kong Time) on Tuesday. Vice-Admiral A.C.G. Madden, second in command, Far Eastern station, told the Associated Press correspondent that Amethyst replied to Communist shell fire with one round from its main armament and a large amount of Bren gun and Oerlikon fire.

Admiral Madden said the outstanding feature was that the escape was all very well planned and conducted. The timing was also a vital factor, he added.

Amazing Feat

It was amazing the way the sloop covered 140 miles through varying currents, shifting sand banks and sharp turns in her vital effort to get past the Wosung forts before dawn, he said. Amethyst had only nine tons of fuel left out of 50 tons when she started her dash. Admiral Madden explained that nine tons was enough to steam 12 hours at 12 knots, and this indicated the forced draft under which the sloop was travelling.

The sloop is seaworthy and capable of 16 knots, but will travel at only 12 knots when she leaves the Yangtze mouth, any change tonight under escort of the destroyer Consort.

Admiral Madden, who spent a sleepless night, requested Consort to take immediate charge of Amethyst.

"After she has taken on board fuel, provisions and personnel from Consort, the object is to get her to Hong Kong as soon as possible," he radioed Consort. On board Jamaica are three officers and 25 ratings who were

SAIGON'S MAJOR PROBLEM

New Delhi, July 31.

L. M. Pignon, High Commissioner of French Indo-China, told newspapermen in New Delhi today that the problem of the Chinese border is the number one military problem in Indo-China. "All others are mere police actions," he said.

M. Pignon is on his way back to Saigon after two weeks of consultations with Government officials in Paris. He is due to reach Saigon on Tuesday.

He said the Chinese Communists are helping Vietnam with arms and ammunition, adding: "There is sufficient evidence of open contact on both sides of the border."

This liaison with the Chinese Communists prevents real understanding between Vietnam and the Vietnamese, he added.

M. Pignon said it seems likely that all parties in Indo-China will combine in view of the common danger of advancing Communism on the Chinese border but added that there has been no official approach so far between Bao Dai and Ho Chi-minh. French military forces will withdraw to agreed but still unprecise places as soon as order is restored in Vietnam.

M. Pignon is carrying fresh proposals but refused to disclose what they are before reaching Saigon.

He said that so far no official proposal has been received in visiting Vietnam so far. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's proposed anti-Communist Pacific union, Associated Press.

A Junk

The officers are Lieutenants J. J. Wilkinson of Portsmouth, Amethyst engineer, E. Monaghan of Carlisle, gunner, and Lieutenant P. C. Berger of Hatfield, Hertfordshire.

Lieutenant Wilkinson recalled he suffered a shrapnel wound and had to be moved 10 miles over mountainous roads by wheelbarrow.

Lieutenant Monaghan said: "All I want is to see some of my friends safe again after three and a half months of anxious worrying."

Lieutenant Monaghan recalled he had arranged improvised stretchers and other means for carrying the wounded over a 10-mile dash stretch.

"Captain B. M. Skinner of Amethyst was so seriously wounded that he died en route," he said. "We used coolies with poles, wheelbarrows and anything improvised we could get."

It is learned that Amethyst ploughed through a junk in her sensational escape.

Tonight, Chaplain Raymond Lowe conducted a 35-minute thanksgiving service for the safety of Amethyst's crew. Associated Press and Reuter.

U.S. Policy On Defence Of Europe

New York, July 31.

The United States policy on a defence system for the Atlantic Pact powers favours an extension of the regional grouping idea expressed in the five-nation Western Union organisation, the "New York Times" stated today.

This will probably be indicated by the Joint Chiefs of Staff who are now visiting Europe.

Groups similar to the Western Union organisation might be organised in the Scandinavian and Mediterranean areas, and on this side of the Atlantic, the paper said.

A mere expansion of the present Western Union group to include all 12 signatories of the North Atlantic Treaty is likely to be rejected.—Reuter.

"Well Done" Message From First Lord

Malta, July 31.

The First Lord of the Admiralty, Lord Hall, signalled the sloop Amethyst today: "Welcome back to the Fleet. Your courage and endurance have been magnificent. Your return was a grand achievement. Well done."

Lord Hall is inspecting British Naval establishments at Malta.—Associated Press.

AMERICAN CHIEFS OF STAFF START MEETINGS

Frankfurt, July 31.

The United States Joint Chiefs of Staff will meet military leaders of Italy and Luxembourg tomorrow.

It will be the first of a series of top-level, top-secret conferences which will implement the Atlantic Pact.

The Chiefs will learn in conference here, in London and in Paris, how many dollars, guns, ships and planes the United States Atlantic Pact allies think America must supply to insure Europe against aggression and what Western Europe can contribute to that end.

The will also inspect United States troops and equipment available in Germany to back up America's ability to deliver the atomic bomb, which the U.S. Army Chief of Staff, General Omar Bradley, has described as first priority of joint defence.

General Bradley, Admiral Louis Denfeld of the U.S. Navy and General Hoyt Vandenberg of the Air Force conferred with the Chiefs of their respective services in Europe.

Only piecemeal information on European requests for arms aid has been revealed by past confabulations in advance of the conference.

France has said she wants arms enough to equip 20 divisions.

Denmark's military chiefs say they will need American arms aid amounting to US\$200,000,000.

Italy's Plans

One Italian said his delegation is prepared to ask for sufficient arms, but other delegations were tightlipped.

Italy is planning to strengthen its link in the North Atlantic Alliance by creating two military defence councils.

Premier Alcide de Gasperi's Cabinet is preparing legislation for the creation of a Supreme Council of Defence and a Superior Council of the Armed Forces, Ansa agency said today.

The Councils will aim at greater unity of Italy's treaty-limited armed forces now being modernised.

President Luigi Einaudi will head the Supreme Council of Defence. Premier De Gasperi will serve as Vice-President. Members will include the Foreign, Interior, Treasury, Defence and Industry Minister and the Chief of the nation's military defence forces.

General Policy

It will examine general policy and technical problems relating to national defence and will direct the organisation and coordination of defence activities, Ansa said.

The Superior Council of Armed Forces will be under the Defence Ministry and be concerned with purely military matters.

Creation of the two Councils will not alter Italy's dedication to the ideals of peace, Ansa declared.

Both projects must get Parliamentary approval, expected some time after the Senate and Chamber of Deputies re-assemble after the Summer adjournment.—United Press and Associated Press.

Arab Finds The Answer

Caux-sur-Montreux, July 31.

Clad in colourful Arabian costume, Abdullah Zafullah Affara, of Aden, told the World Assembly for Moral Re-armament, meeting here, that he considers it his responsibility to take Moral Re-armament—the "ideology of change"—to Arabia.

He said that in Caux he had found the answer to his hatred for the Jews.

"We Arabs think we are always right and we never yield to others. My bitterness and superiority blinded me. Moral Re-armament gives me the power to think for others, not just for myself," he said.

Mr. Suriman Harayan, Foreign Secretary of the Gandhian Society, said: "Moral Re-armament is one of the greatest forces of the century."

Mr. Harayan, who had trained under Mahatma Gandhi for 25 years, said: "We believe that if you want to change the world, you must start with yourself. That is the same as your ideology, which is the hope of the world."—Reuter.

BELGRADE ATTACK ON THE VATICAN

Belgrade, July 31.

In an important challenge of the Roman Catholic Church, Yugoslavia's official press today condemned the Vatican excommunication of Communists as an attempt to use religion as a "political tool of the reactionaries."

Italian Population Increase

Rome, July 31.

Italy's population is still increasing, but at a slower rate than last year.

The Central Institute of Statistics announced that from January to May of 1949 births exceeded deaths by 188,554. The margin was 32,543 less than last year.

Deaths during the five months period totalled 225,855, 11.8 per 1,000 compared to 10.8 for the January-May period of 1948.

Births numbered 414,409 during the period—21.7 per 1,000 inhabitants compared to 22.4 in 1948. There were 145,271 marriages, 7.8 per 1,000 from January to May, 1949, compared to 8.1 in 1948.—Associated Press.

THOMAS MANN IN SOVIET ZONE

Weimar, July 31.

Dr. Thomas Mann, noted German-born writer who is now a naturalised American, arrived at Weimar, in the Soviet Zone of Germany, this afternoon.

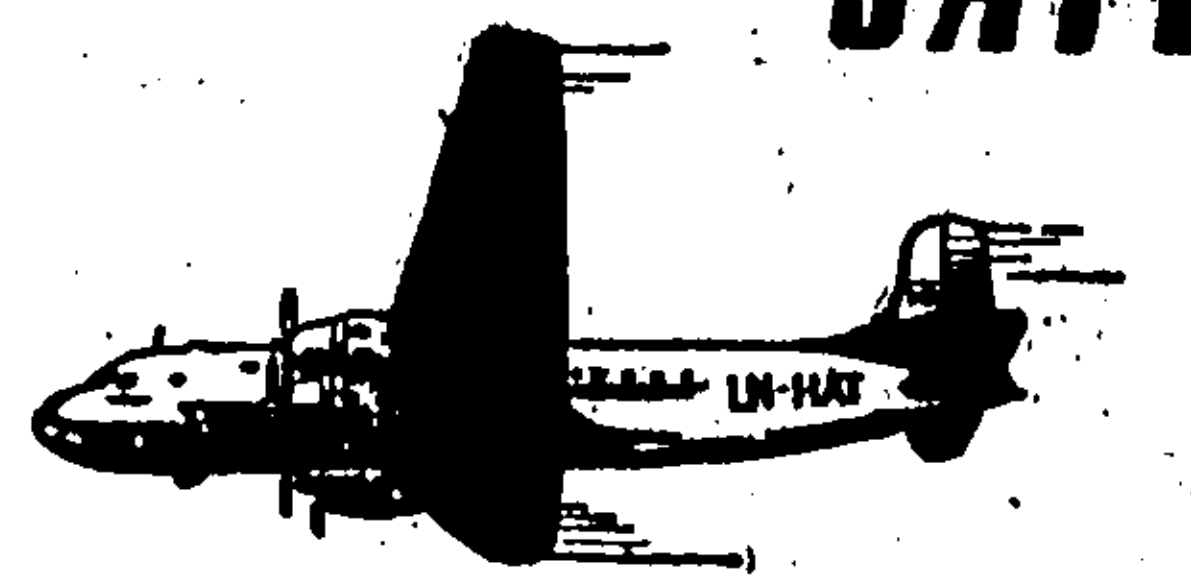
Dr. Mann has been invited by the Soviet-sponsored "Cultural League" and the City Administration to take part in the Goethe Festival, opening tomorrow. Dr. Mann will also be awarded the Soviet Zone Goethe Prize and the freedom of the City of Weimar.—Reuter.

KASHMIR HOPES

Srinagar, July 31.

The United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan is hopeful that the two countries will reach a true agreement on Kashmir in the near future, Senator Bernardo Sanpao, Chairman of the Commission, said here today.—Reuter.

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Senussi In London



The Emir Sayid Idris el Senussi, head of the State of Cyrenaica, photographed on arrival in London. He is shaking hands with Mr. E. A. V. Candole, British Chief Administrator of Cyrenaica. At centre is Mrs. Candole. The Emir travelled from Derna to Mersin in the Battleship Vanguard, and thence across France. It is the Emir's first visit to England. He will have talks with Mr. Bevin on the future of Cyrenaica.—(AP Photo).

MISSIONARIES IN CHINA SEE A RAY OF HOPE

Canton, July 31.

Local missionary leaders, who have been pessimistic about the chances of continuing their work in China under the Communists, believe they saw a ray of hope when three foreign pastors received calls from Church groups in North China "liberated areas."

They admit that it is still too early to tell whether the experiment will be successful.

Still, missionaries here feel sure no calls would have been sent if their representatives in Communist China had not felt that mission work could be carried on and that it would be possible to bring in people for that purpose.

For the most part, missionaries here agree that there have been few overt acts of restriction by the Communist government. "Missionaries from my board have for the most part been able to keep what contacts they have, though they are not able to make new ones easily," one mission headquarters representative said. He believed that may be the pattern for the initial stages of Communist government.

Restrictive action may, however, be masked under apparently innocent laws. Heretofore mission property has been tax free; it would be quite easy to burden the missions with levies too heavy to allow them to remain. Laws concerning public gatherings may be enforced in case of church services. "Currency restrictions may cut off the mission property which have never been self-supporting, from outside income."

Most mission leaders refuse to speculate on what Communist policy may be after the new government has consolidated its position. They are hanging on where they can and waiting more definite indications of policy before making plans.

No Plans For Evacuation

In most cases, Protestant missionaries, especially those with families, have been withdrawn from threatened areas. That is not true in all cases. If the mission is well-established and local authority and public opinion are favourable, the missionaries are remaining. "There have been some cases where strong local appeals have influenced missionaries to stay."

Catholic missions are intending to remain in China and there are no plans for their evacuation. Many representatives of the smaller mission boards, especially European groups whose resources have never been as strong as the dollar-backed American missions, are abandoning the China field for the time being.

Most missionaries agreed that the type of work the missionaries is doing may have a lot to do with his success under the Communists. Medical missionaries can offer badly needed service and will be able to continue with little or no hindrance, they think. However, most give a qualified

JOINT CHIEF OF STAFFS' HAND IN CHINA POLICY

Defence Of U.S. Security Zone

Washington, July 31.

American military leaders were principally responsible for the administration's decision to conduct an intensive review of the Far Eastern situation in an effort to formulate positive United States policy against Communism in Asia and the Pacific.

The Secretary of State's decision, with Presidential approval, to appoint a commission to review the Asian situation and make recommendations on policy in that area was prompted to a considerable extent by pressure from the Defence Secretary, Mr. Louis Johnson, and other military officials.

The United States' joint Chiefs of Staff and others concerned with long-range defence plans have long felt they should have some more clearly defined policy framework within which to work out their strategic plans.

This pressure has been supplemented by increasing Congressional criticism of State Department policy in China as the tide of Communism sweeps further South in that country.

There has also been an awakening of public interest in the subject, although it would be untrue to say that the majority of the people share the opinion of severe Congressional critics of American policy.

While the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, has recognized the criticism of American policy in Asia to the extent of appointing a commission to look into the situation, high officials warn against expecting this to lead to any dramatic developments.

Instead, as far as the Administration is concerned, the next month or two will be devoted to exhaustive efforts to acquaint the American public and Congress with all facts of American relations in Asia.

The first effort along this line will be publication of the "White Paper" on Sino-American relations. The State Department intends to bring this out within the next two weeks despite Chinese Nationalist protests that it may give aid and comfort to the Chinese Communists.

No New Policy

The second step, timed to follow publication of the White Paper, will be confidential testimony by Mr. Acheson before Congressional committees on the Far Eastern situation, with particular reference to China.

The committees will follow observations and recommendations of a commission composed of Dr. Philip Jessup, Ambassador at Large, Mr. Everett Case, president of Colgate University, and Dr. Raymond Fosdick of the Rockefeller Foundation. It has been pointed out that they will make no single report on their conclusions but will provide constant advice to Mr. Acheson on the subject of Asian relations.

Aside from the "White Paper" indication of the State Department's attitude on Asia, there is no more expert information on China will be made public. It is expected, however, that the State Department will release any material it believes pertinent.

State Department officials concede that after this program of "educating" Congress and the public on Asian affairs the Administration might unfold some new and more positive policy in Asia.

However, their attitude clearly indicates they do not expect anything of this nature with regard to China.

Security Zone

Barring Congressional action in forcing American aid to China over Administration protests, it is expected that the United States will stand on Mr. Acheson's assertion that any further assistance is unfeasible.

Most military officials have insisted for some time that running arms aid to Nationalist China is useless and that it should be written off from strategic calculations within the foreseeable future.

They also feel that Korea is in an indefensible position, but have been willing to accept the State Department's contention that it is worth while trying limited aid in the interests of bolstering this Asian experiment in democracy.

Military opinion here, as exemplified by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, still appears to be that the United States should write off China and South Korea and prepare to defend the "security zone" against Communism in Asia, which would be anchored on Japan at one end and India on the other. Intermediate points would be the Philippines, possibly Taiwan, Indo-China, Siam, Burma and Pakistan.

Military officials are understood to be desirous of having some definite line which the United States firmly intends to hold.

They are reported to be particularly sensitive to any further withdrawals of the nature forced on the United States Navy at Tsingtao on the North China coast.

One point on which both State Department and Defence officials appear to be agreed is that the Chinese Communists will have increasing trouble in attempting to administer China and eventually will collapse.

Both Departments appear to favour allowing that situation to run its course. However, they have not yet agreed on what position to take after having agreed on that preliminary premise.—United Press.

Seattle, August 1.

Seventy one thousand seal scalps valued at \$3,000,000 were taken this year on the Fribillif Sands in the Bering Sea, says the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The season ended on July 25.—Associated Press.

SITUATION IN KOREA WORSENS

Seoul, July 31.

The United States military mission in Korea was urged drastically to tighten measures today in face of reports that secret agents are flowing into the Republic in increasing numbers from the Russian puppet state in the North.

As the same time, a fierce artillery duel "test of strength" is reported to be going on between the troops of the anti-Communist Republic and the Communist Northern state in the neighbourhood of Klesong.

Today these developments picture Korea as being on the eve of major armed strife.

1. A warning was issued that secret American codes are being endangered by increasing laxness on the part of personnel in the United States mission in Korea. The warning was issued by Richard Jones, chief of the security branch.

2. A high Korean official, who would not allow his name to be published, estimates that there are at present at least 2,000 trained Communist agents from the North Korean Republic.

Some of the Communist agents are armed and at present their infiltration route is concentrated along the Korean East coast due to heavier precautions on the West coast, he says.

At the same time, the Government's Office of Public Information made public statistics covering the period between December 12, 1948, and June 25, 1949, showing that North Korean forces involving 21,000 rebels made 212 invasions of South Korean territory.—United Press.

AN OLD STORY RESURRECTED

Frankfurt, July 31.

German schoolboys are being taught that Germans lost the war only because of treason, the British-licensed German newspaper, "Welt Am Sonntag," said today.

German teachers are again sowing a poisonous seed in the minds of German children, it added.

The newspaper told of an essay by one boy who wrote: "Our teacher told us that we lost the war only because of treason. The only reason we lost was an artificial reason. But because of treason, they could not release it."

"The Germans also had potentialities which they could have released over foreign countries. This, too, was treacherously divulged."

The newspaper asserted: "This essay is not an isolated case. It is one of 27 all written on the same lines."—Reuter.

MISSING FLIER'S FATE

Glendale, July 31.

A former Marine lieutenant said today that he picked up information during the war that led him to believe that Amelia Earhart, who disappeared on a round-the-world flight in 1937, was taken prisoner by the Japanese.

Alvan Fitak, 33, a chemist who served in a Marine anti-aircraft unit, said he had turned his information over to the flier's mother, Mrs. Amy Otis Earhart. Last week Mrs. Earhart revealed she was sure her daughter was imprisoned by the Japanese while on a Government mission. It was while he was participating in a Marshall Islands invasion that he got his clue, Fitak said.—United Press.

WORLD ASSEMBLY OF YOUTH

Brussels, July 31.

The first World Assembly of Youth Council will open here tomorrow, attended by 2,000 delegates representing 18 countries. The Assembly is designed to unite the youths of all free countries of the world.

The National Youth Councils of Britain, the United States, France, Denmark and Holland originated the idea.—Reuter.

WAGE DEMANDS

Manila, July 31.

The delegates to the current convention of the Congress of Labour Organizations have passed a resolution appealing to all labour unions in the country to join general move to increase the labourer's minimum wage scale, per hour, to 50 cents, and the adoption of the 40 hours a week schedule.

The Congress of Labour Organizations is regarded as the most influential labour body in the country.—Reuter.

Washington, July 31.

The Navy announced today that 10 Naval vessels, headed by the battleship Missouri, will leave for a training cruise to France on Wednesday.—United Press.

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SENATOR GETS ALL HET UP

Washington, July 31. Senator Kenneth S. Wherry, a leading Republican, demanded today that Congress pass legislation to make certain that America's atomic bomb secrets are securely locked and not left to gentlemen's agreements.

In a statement, Senator Wherry said what he called a "gentlemen's agreement" between President Truman and members of the Joint Atomic Energy Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives was all that barred the transfer of secrets to Britain and Canada.

He complained that he and other members of Congress who were not members of the Atomic Committee had no part in the "gentlemen's agreement."

Leopoldes in the present law which might permit the giving of secrets to other nations ought to be plugged, he added.

"The current drive to share the know-how and information with Britain will be followed by others as others have preceded it," Mr. Wherry said.

"All of these drives are subtly contrived to filch the secrets upon which the life of our country may depend."

"The forces that want to rob America of its atomic bomb secrets will certainly continue their efforts, and they will reap in some unwitting, highly-placed people in our Government by their specious arguments, such as the currently favoured one that Britain will cut off the raw materials for bombs if we do not tell her all the secrets of how the atomic weapons are made."

—Reuter.

MacArthur Sees No Red Danger

Tokyo, July 31. General Douglas MacArthur's Headquarters have refused to allow an increase in Japan's police force to combat the Communist campaign, according to a usually reliable source here.

The Premier, Mr. Shigeru Yoshida, had asked permission in a letter to SCAP 10 days ago.

Replying, Brigadier-General Courtney Whitney, SCAP's Government Section Chief, reminded the Premier that Japan's greatest danger is from the extreme right rather than the extreme left, the source said.

The purge of former Japanese militarists and Zubeau (wealthy industrial group) political figures will continue, the reply added.

—Reuter.

DP'S VESSEL BREAKS DOWN

Dublin, July 31. A former British mine-sweeper, the Saraband, with 253 displaced persons aboard, entered harbour at Cork today with boiler trouble.

The displaced persons, who are Lithuanians, Estonians, Latvians and Poles, left Gothenburg, Sweden, last Monday to cross the Atlantic.

A spokesman said they pooled their resources to buy the Saraband but boiler trouble and a shortage of coal would leave them with very little money to resume the voyage.

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Sydney, August 1.

Australia's Labour Government, boiling mad over a crippling coal strike it says is Communist-led, promised today to wipe Communism off the face of the earth in the Commonwealth.

"Only the stars are neutral in this fight," the Information Minister, Mr. Arthur Colwell, told a Labour rally here.

"We will use the Army against them, the Navy against them, the Air Force against them," he said. "Communism is on the way out here."

The countrywide strike of 24,000 coal miners entered its sixth week this morning. The miners want a 15-per cent wage raise and shorter hours. The strike has paralysed much of Australia's industry at the height of the winter season.

Troops are standing by in the fields, ready to start digging coal on signal from Canberra, the Federal capital. Officers claim that within a week they can beat old deep mining production records.

Mr. Colwell said the Government will smash the coal strike and then move to exterminate what he called the "Communist taint."

Australia's Communist Party is tiny in numbers. It has no seats in the Federal Parliament and only one in any of the six State legislatures, but it has influence in important trade unions.

Mr. Colwell said the Government got all the information it needed on the party's activities in a raid early this month on Marx House, Communist headquarters here.

Settlement Hopes Wane

Hopes of ending the strike receded today when the Mining Union's Council threw out plans to take a "back-to-work" vote at miners' mass meetings.

Moderate leaders walked out when their proposal was rejected.

Tumult broke out at a Sydney meeting to urge the Labour Party to urge the miners to return, at which the Immigration Minister, Mr. Arthur Colwell, said a concentration camp was "the best place" for Communist hectors.

Interupters tried to howl down the speakers and cut amplifier cables.

Mr. Colwell predicted that miners in the Northern New South Wales coal-fields will be back by August 30.

"This is a fight between the labour movement and the Labour Government on the one hand and Communist rat-bags on the other. It is a fight which the Government must win," Mr. Colwell said.

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Girl's Death In The Air

New York, July 31. A 12-year-old Argentine girl, who was being brought to New York on a flight of 5,000 miles for treatment of infantile paralysis, died early today in the air.

She was Eva Luchetta, daughter of a Buenos Aires newspaper photographer, Carlos Luchetta.

Madame Eva Peron, wife of the Argentine President, General Juan Peron, financed the flight in the hope that New York specialists could aid the child, who was accompanied by her father.

The Skymaster airliner on which the girl was a passenger radioed from Nassau, in the Bahamas, that the child died on board just before the plane reached Nassau.—Reuter.

NON-RED WORLD IN A MESS

Stockholm, July 31. The world is dominated by incompetents and dilettantes, Sven Hedin, Swedish explorer, said today. The 84-year-old geographer, who mapped Tibet, said in an interview that the whole of the non-Communist world is a mess.

"The Reds are the only ones who are strong and united. Too bad for those who want peace," he said.

Hedin thinks the Chinese Reds will conquer all of China and advance into Burma.

"I think Burma is the ultimate destination of the Communist offensive, which was surely planned in co-operation with Soviet Russia. But I do not think the Chinese Communists will have much use for Moscow when they come to power. Foreigners always have been and always will be alien devils, and that goes for the Russians too."

Hedin said this feeling about "alien devils" combined with the "great awakening of Asiatic nations" would lead to loss of Western influence in the Orient.

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CANTONESE BY RADIO

BY S.K. LEE

Lesson 37 (M)

Vocabulary:	Inside.
340. (lul) (2)lul.	A bed.
341. (ch'ong) (1)chong.	A teapoy.
342. (kel) gay(1).	A lamp.
343. (tang) dung(1).	Felt. A blanket.
344. (chin) jeen(1).	Rattan.
345. (tang) (1)lung.	A basin.
346. (p'oon) (1)poon (or) poon(2).	A privy.
347. (h'z) tsee(3).	Sofa.
Initiative expressions:	Inside.
(12) soh(1) fah(2).	A teapoy.
Combinations:	An electric light.
109. (2)lul (3)been.	A table lamp.
110. (1)Chah gay(1).	A carpet. A rug.
111. (3)Deem dung.	A rattan table.
112. Toy(2) dung(1).	A rattan chair.
113. (3)Day jeen(1).	A bath tub.
114. (1)Tung toy(2).	A wash-basin.
115. (1)Tung yee(2).	A water closet.
116. Sai(2) shun(1) (1)poon.	(Continued).
117. (3)Meen poon(2).	Inside the room, there was some furniture.
118. Shui(2) tsee(3).	The furniture was not very new (half new-half old).
Transport and Communication:	There were one bed, one wardrobe, one desk, two chairs, a three piece suite and one teapoy.
132. Gaan(1) fong(2) (2)lul (3)been, (2)yan de(1) gah(1)-see(1).	On the desk, there was a table lamp.
133. De(1) gah(1)-see(1) (3)hal boon(3)-sun(1) (3)gau geh(3).	On the floor, there was a carpet—a very thick one.
134. (2)Yau yut(1)-jeung(1) (1)chong, yut(1)-gaw(3) (3)daye-(3)gaw, yut(1)-jeung(1) seh(2)-(3)dzee-toy(2), (2)leung-jeung(1) yee(2), yut(1)-fah(3) saw(1)-fah(2) (1)toong yut(1)-jeung(1) (1)chah-gay(1).	On the verandah, there were one rattan table and two rattan chairs.
135. Seh(2)-(3)dzee-toy(2) meen(2), (2)yan yut(1)-jaan(2) toy(2)-dung(1).	In the bath room, there were a bath, a wash basin and a water closet.
136. (3)Day-hah(2), (2)yan yut(1)-jeung(1) (3)day-jeen(1)—hoh(2) (2)han geh(3).	I asked the foki the cost of the room.
137. (1)Kel-lau(2), (2)yan yut(1)-jeung(1) (1)lung-toy(2), (2)leung-jeung(1) (1)lung-ye(2).	He said the cost was thirty six dollars per day.
138. Sai(2)-shun(1) fong(2), (2)yan sal(2)-shun(1) (1)poon, (3)meen-poon(2) (1)toong shui(2)-tsee(3).	I was quite satisfied.
139. (2)Ngaw (3)mun gaw(3) faw(2)-gay(3), gan(1) fong(2) yee(3) gay(2)-dau(1) tsee(2).	So, I then decided to stay there.
140. (2)Kut (3)wah yee(3) saam(1)-(3)shup-(3)look mun(1) yut(1) (3)yut.	
141. (2)Ngaw gay(2) (2)moon-ye(3).	
142. Gom(2), (2)ngaw (3)dzau kuei(3)-yee(3) hal(2) gaw(2)-shue(3) (3)jue lok(3).	

(To be continued)

MURDER OF A BROADCASTER

Alice, Texas, July 31. A detachment of the Texas Rangers has arrived at Alice to keep order after the murder of a broadcast commentator who criticised the management of a local dance hall.

Mr. W. K. Mason alleged in a broadcast that Sheriff was allowing considerable licence to the dance hall and hinted that the reason might be that it belonged to one of his deputies.

Next day, Mr. Mason was shot dead in his car.

The dance hall owner, Sam Smithwick, was arrested and charged with murder.

The Rangers were sent to police the town because of public indignation at Mr. Mason's killing.—Reuter.

REFUGEES WANT RELIEF BILL

Hamburg, July 31. Refugees held meetings throughout the British Zone today to demand action by the British, American and French Military Governors on a refugee relief bill.

The bill, drawn up by the German Bizonal Economic Administration in Frankfurt last December, provides for financial support for German refugees.

Speakers at today's meeting claimed to represent 13,000,000 refugees in West Germany.

Dr. Lukaschek, chairman of the Bizonal German Refugee Organisation, told 8,000 refugees from Silesia here today that he will resign unless the Military Governors approve the bill before the impending dissolution of the German Bizonal Economic Administration.—Reuter.

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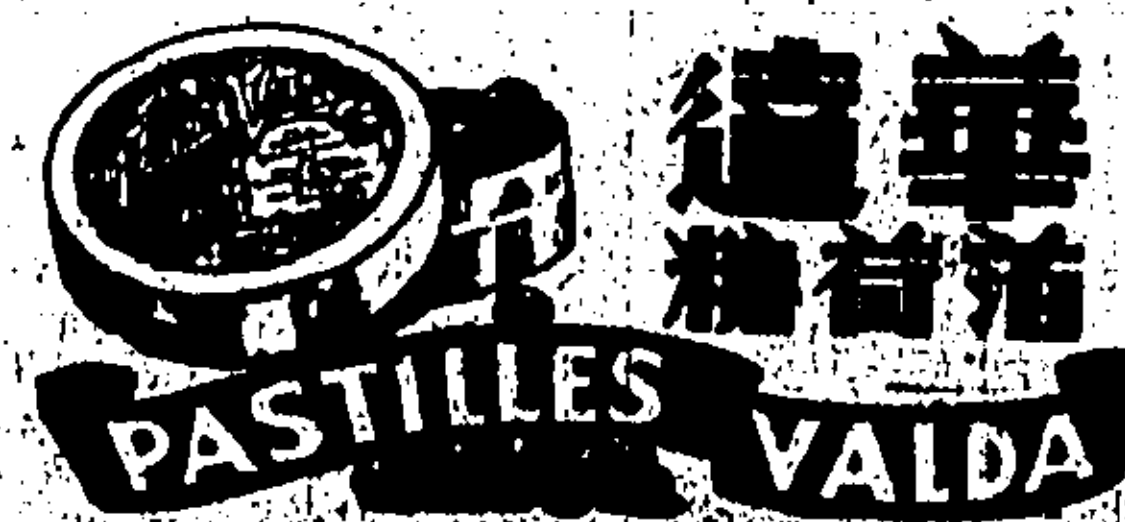


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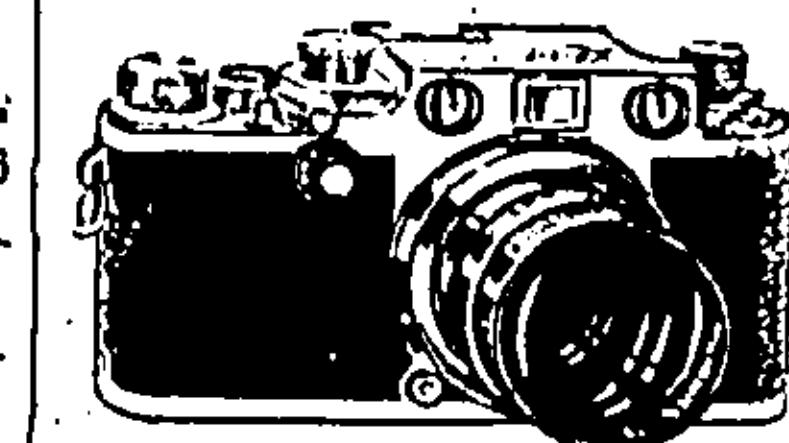
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EUROPEAN CROP PROSPECTS SAID MORE FAVOURABLE

Washington, July 31.
General crop prospects in Europe are relatively
favourable despite hot, dry weather between
mid-June and mid-July.
This is according to a report of the U. S. Agriculture
Department.

Nevertheless, production of
bread grains—a major import
item—is expected to be about
five per cent below last year and
10 per cent below the pre-war
average.

A good May crop in being
harvested. Production of coarse
grains for livestock feed is like-
ly to be about the same as last
year.

The production of potatoes and
other root crops, important items
in the European diet, may be
down a little from last year be-
cause of smaller acreages and
less favourable weather.

A lower sugar beet yield now
in prospect will be partly offset,
the Department said, by an in-
crease in acreage.

In the Soviet Union, good crop
prospects may be offset partly
by large harvesting losses, the
Department said.

Continued widespread rains and
cool weather during the first part
of July are said to have retarded
the ripening of grain.

The harvest in Austria pro-
mises to be the best of the post-
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AIRLIFT MEN GET PRAISE

London, July 31.
The Secretary of State for Air,
Arthur Henderson, has thanked
British airlift personnel in Ger-
many for a magnificent achieve-
ment.

"Now that the need for the air-
lift is ending," he said, "I send
sincere thanks and hearty con-
gratulations on behalf of the Air
Council to all members of the
R.A.F., the Commonwealth Air
Forces and British civil aviation
who, in co-operation with the U.S.
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Schoolgirls In Double Suicide

Tokyo, August 1.
Two girls attending sum-
mer school here plunged to
their deaths from a fifth floor
window while locked in each
other's arms, the "Asahi" re-
ported today.
The death leap, "Asahi"
said, police investigators
learned, was by Tomoe Euda,
20, and Chizuko Ura, 18,
both graduates of Kyoitsu
Girls' College last March.
One of the girls recently
received a marriage proposal,
"Asahi" said, but declined to
part from her roommate.—
Associated Press.

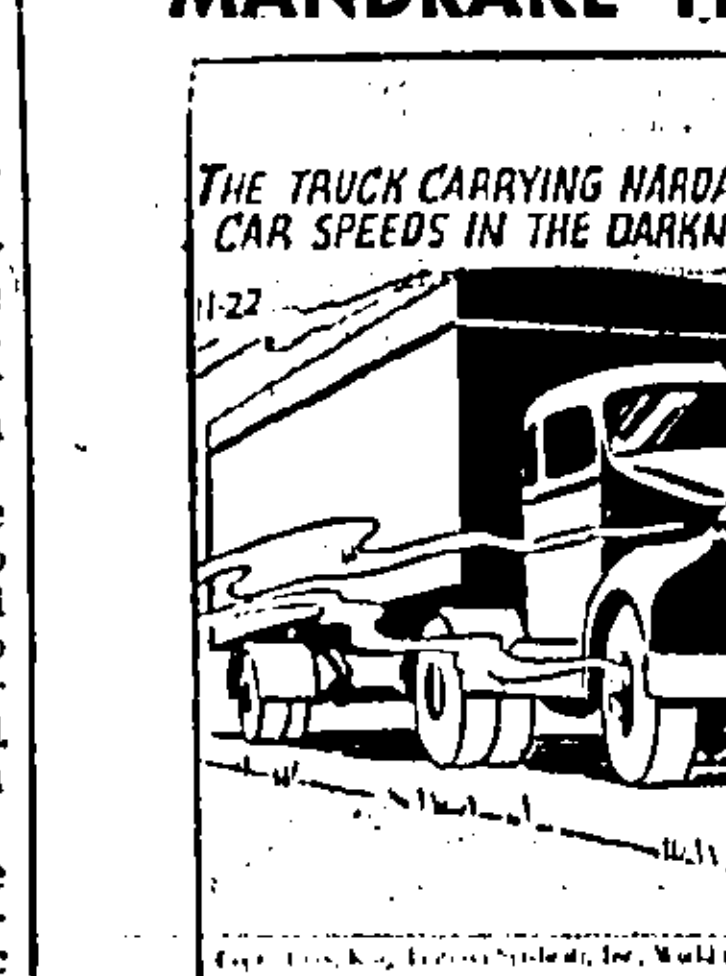
QUEVILLE SETS A RECORD

Paris, July 31.
France's National Assembly ad-
journing today for an 11-week
holiday, making it virtually cer-
tain that the Premier, M. Henri
Queuille's Cabinet will be the
first to last over a year under the
Fourth Republic.
The Assembly will meet again
on October 18.
M. Queuille's middle of the
road coalition took office on Sep-
tember 12, 1948 and has already
served longer than any other
since the war.
The Socialist Interior Minister,
Jacques Moch, predicted today that
Government will remain in power
until 1951 and will continue its
fight against the Communists, de
Gaullists and poverty. Associated
Press and United Press.

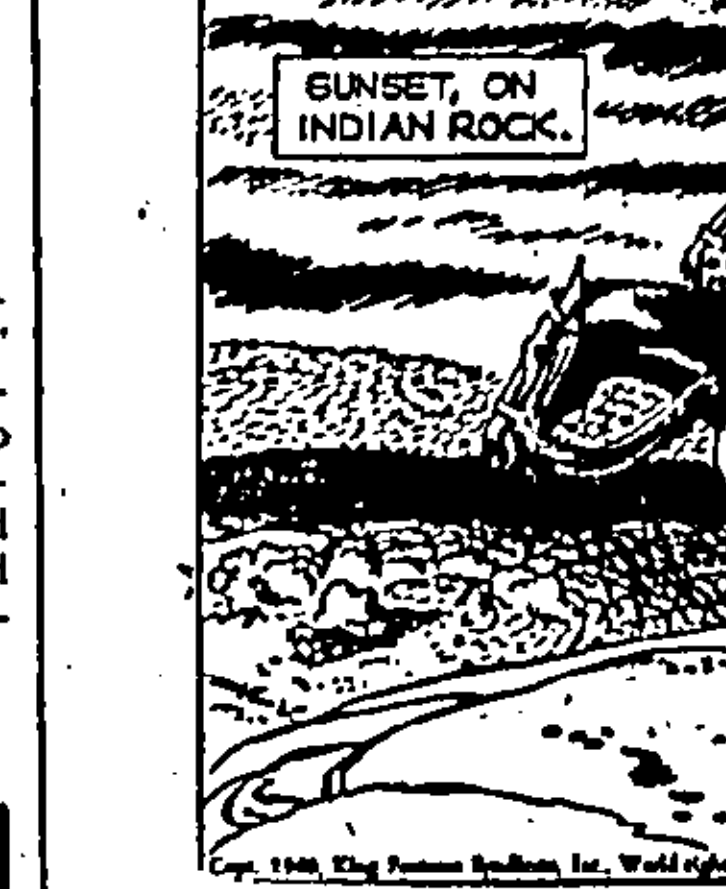
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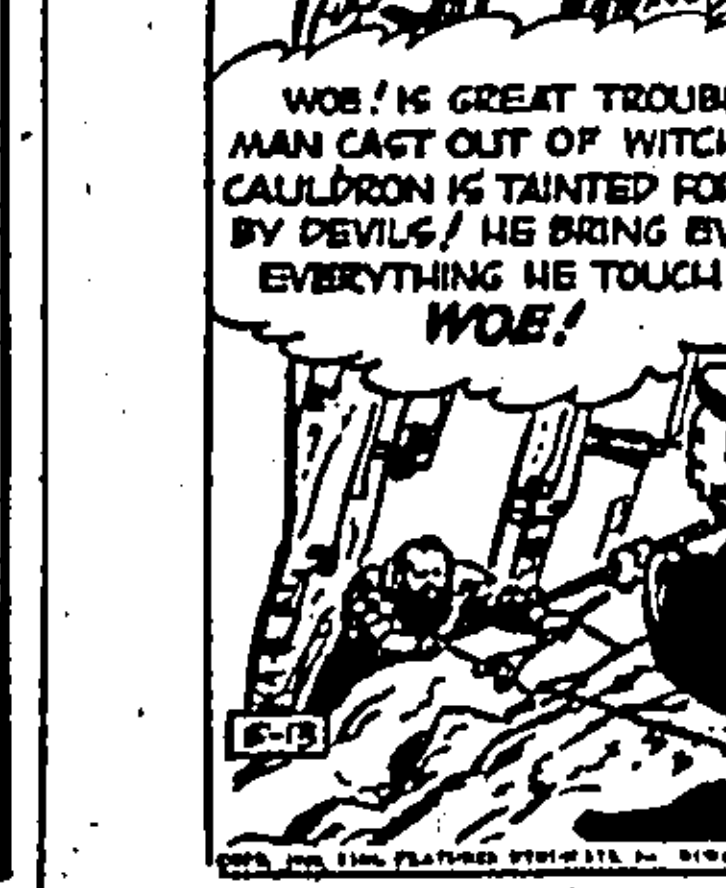
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COUNCIL OF EUROPE MEETING THIS MONTH

Strasbourg, July 31.
Detailed preparations are under way here for the
epoch-making first session of the Council of
Europe to be held in Strasbourg probably in
August.

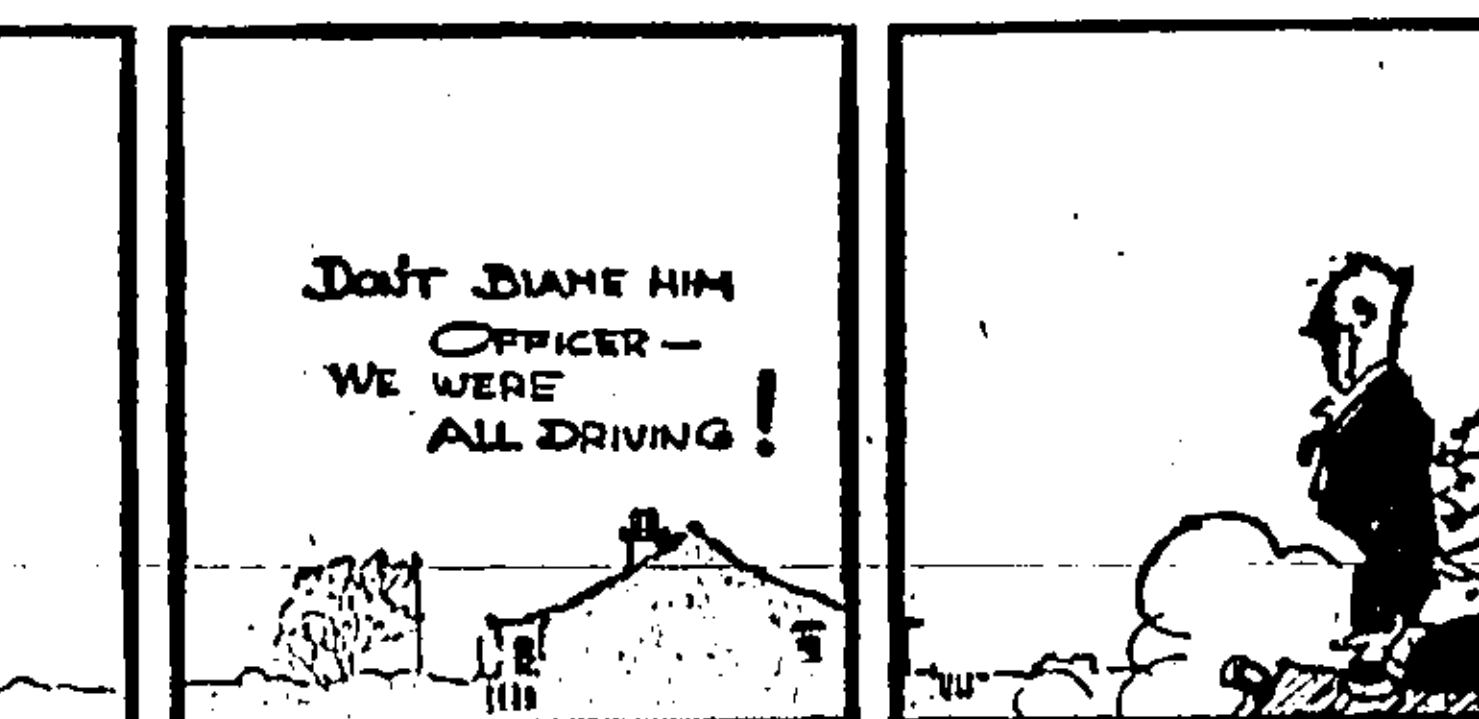
A special reception committee appointed long before
the final decision to hold the conference here,
has made plans not only for the housing of the
conference itself, but for lodging of hundreds
of delegates, advisers and newspapermen who
will crowd this Alsatian city to bursting point
when the Council begins its first meeting.

The big University Centre has
been selected as the site of the
conference itself, Mr. Rene Palra,
Prefect of the Haut Rhin De-
partment, of which Strasbourg is
the capital, told the United Press.

Plenary meetings will take place
in the Centre's main room, the
"Aula," which can hold up to
1,200 people.

The galleries will be reserved
for the Press and for visitors, and
committees will hold their sessions
in other rooms of the university
buildings.

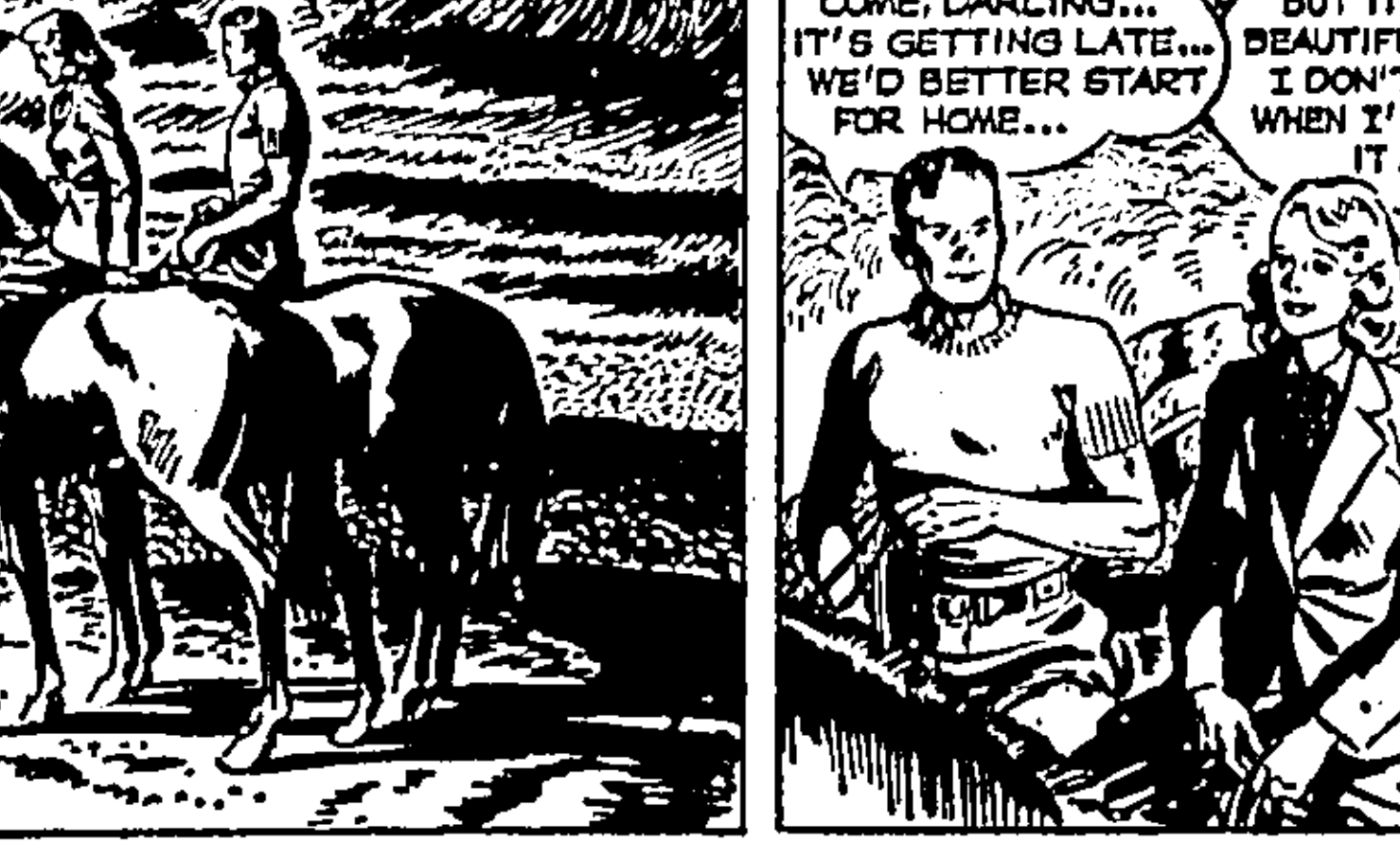
the main hotels and hundreds of
private homes were bombed to
rubble during the last war.



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tion for both at the same time,"
he said.

An extensive programme of
entertainment, including folklore
shows and a special ballet and
artistic season at the opera, has
been arranged for the delegates,
who will also have a "club"
where they will be able to get
together informally.

Mr. Palra has taken steps to
keep the shops open and the
prices at the same level so that
tourists and delegates will get a
good impression of the town and
want to come back.

He added: "Strasbourg, the
'crossroads of Europe,' is the ideal
place for the Council of Europe.
The people here have had
an 'European mind' for cen-
turies, and have suffered so much
from being a battleground they
will do everything possible to help
the European Union be a suc-
cess."—United Press.

Turkey Invited

Istanbul, July 31.
The French Ambassador to
Turkey, M. Jean Lecœur, has
been asked to invite Turkey offi-
cially to take part in the first
meeting of the Council of Europe,
the European "Parliament," in
Strasbourg on August 8.
M. Lecœur called on M. Nec-
mettin Sadak, Turkish Foreign
Minister, who is on holiday in
Istanbul, yesterday. Mr. Sadak is
to leave for Ankara tonight to
discuss the matter with his
Cabinet colleagues.—Router.

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SAILINGS TO

"SHENGKING"	Swatow	8 p.m. 4th Aug.
"SZECHUEN"	Swatow	5 p.m. 4th Aug.
"KWEIYANG"	Yokohama & Kobe	3 p.m. 5th Aug.
"NINGHAI"	Singapore, Macassar, Sourabaya & Batavia	5 p.m. 5th Aug.
"FENGCHEN"	Singapore, Sibu & Brunei	5 p.m. 6th Aug.
"FARKHO"	Bangkok	5 p.m. 11th Aug.

ARRIVALS FROM

"FENGCHEN"	Kobe & Keelung	a.m. 1st Aug.
"SZECHUEN"	Brunei & Sibu	7 a.m. 1st Aug.
"KWEIYANG"	Bangkok	2/3rd Aug.
"NINGHAI"	Amoy	7 a.m. 2nd Aug.
"SHENGKING"	Swatow	8 a.m. 3rd Aug.
"SZECHUEN"	Swatow	a.m. 7th Aug.
"FARKHO"	Yokohama	7/8th Aug.

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"WUSUEH"	Hongkong/Canton	Canton/Hongkong
	Dept. Hongkong	Arr. Hongkong
	1st & 4th Aug.	4th Aug.
"WUSUEH"	Hongkong/Macao	Macao/Hongkong
	2 p.m. 6th Aug.	545 p.m. 31st July
		7th Aug.

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"AUTOLYCUS"	Tamr, Casablanca, Havre & Liverpool	8th Aug.
"CLYTONUS"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	26th Aug.
"ASTYANAX"	N. Africa, Havre & Liverpool	8th Sept.

ARRIVALS FROM

"CLYTONUS"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	In port
"MARON"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	7th Aug.
"ASTYANAX"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	11th Aug.
"CAULUS"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	29th Aug.
"EUMAEUS"	U.K. via Straits & Malaya	6th Sept.

NEW YORK SERVICE

"AJAX"	from U.S.A. via Manila	24th Aug.
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"CHANGTE"	Canton & Sydney	12th Aug.
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"CHANGSHIA"	Australia & Manila	15th Aug.

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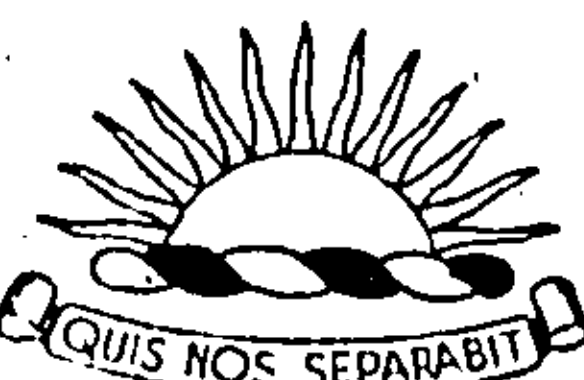
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NOTICE TO PASSENGERS

SALES: FRIDAY 5th AUGUST at NOON for the United Kingdom via Straits, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said.

BAGGAGE: ALL passengers baggage must be sent to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Co.'s Godown at No. 2 Gale, Canton Road Entrance, by NOON on THURSDAY the 4th AUGUST.

SPECIAL NOTE: With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Co.'s Godown for loading on board by ship's silings only.

EMBARKATION: Will take place between 9.30 a.m. and 11.15 a.m. on FRIDAY the 5th AUGUST.

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GENERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN STARTS IN GERMANY

FIGHTER RAMMED DAKOTA

Fort Dix, July 31. The United States Navy today joined the Civil Aeronautics Board in an investigation of the crash of a Wildcat fighter and a Dakota airliner in which 16 persons died yesterday.

Investigators took testimony from Mr. George Humphries, a Piper Cub pilot, who said the Navy fighter flew past him and severed in a wide arc into the air.

All 12 passengers and the crew of three of the airliner were killed.

The dead included Miss Gessina Hall, 46-year-old bacteriologist of Albany, New York State, who recently returned from visiting relatives in England.

Professor Howard S. Leroy, 58, Professor of Law at the National University Law School in Washington, was also killed.

He was a delegate to the second International Conference on Comparative Law at The Hague in 1937.

Professor Leroy was also Chairman of the International Affairs Committee of Rotary International in 1946—Reuter.

BRAZIL CRASH

Itto de Janeiro, July 31. A well-known North American aviator was killed today when flying as a passenger in a small private plane.

The passenger, Lincoln Bruce Taylor, 41, took off from the airport an hour before and crashed near the Corcovado Mountains, near here. The pilot was seriously injured. Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

H.K.T. 12.15 p.m. Religious Talk "Chapter and Verse" (H.K.T.S.)
12.30 p.m. "Hong Kong Calling" (H.K.T.S.)
12.45 p.m. "Music for Mass" (H.K.T.S.)
1.00 p.m. Light Variety (H.K.T.S.)
1.15 p.m. News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.30 p.m. "The World" (H.K.T.S.)
1.45 p.m. Gilbert and Sullivan Vocal Group.
2.00 p.m. "Close Down" (H.K.T.S.)
2.15 p.m. "Hong Kong Calling" (H.K.T.S.)
2.30 p.m. "The World" (H.K.T.S.)
2.45 p.m. Cantonese by Radio given by Miss Lee Wai Lan and S. K. Lee (Studio)
3.00 p.m. "The World" (H.K.T.S.)
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11.45 p.m. "The World" (H.K.T.S.)
12.00 a.m. "The World" (H.K.T.S.)

Rediffusion

H.K.T.	8.00 a.m.—Up with the Sun.
	8.15 a.m.—Setting up Exercises.
	8.30 a.m.—Musical Clock.
	8.45 a.m.—Kelllogg's Breakfast Session.
	9.00 a.m.—News and Weather Forecast.
	9.15 a.m.—Olympic Motors Programme.
	9.30 a.m.—Good Morning.
	9.45 a.m.—Tuesday's Music.
	10.00 a.m.—Morning Melody.
	10.15 a.m.—Music for all.
	10.30 p.m.—Song of the Islands.
	10.45 p.m.—Tune Time.
	11.00 p.m.—Interval Signal.
	11.15 p.m.—Light Music.
	11.30 p.m.—Swing Time.
	11.45 p.m.—News.
	12.00 p.m.—From the Shows.
	12.15 p.m.—Variety Calls the Tune.
	12.30 p.m.—Tendons.
	12.45 p.m.—Vocally Yours.
	1.00 p.m.—Music Makers.
	1.15 p.m.—Memories of the Corner.
	1.30 p.m.—Memories of Yesterday.
	1.45 p.m.—Radio Headlines.
	2.00 p.m.—Music for Millions.
	2.15 p.m.—Richard Lin Sing.
	2.30 p.m.—Listen to Leibert (Gilman).
	2.45 p.m.—Concert Favorites (D.A.T.).
	3.00 p.m.—BBC News.
	3.15 p.m.—The Stars Sing (Nathle).
	3.30 p.m.—Radio Time.
	3.45 p.m.—Westinghouse Show.
	4.00 p.m.—Dance Time—Ted Heath.
	4.15 p.m.—Vincent Lopez.
	4.30 p.m.—Studio Dance Party.
	4.45 p.m.—BBC World News.
	5.00 p.m.—Local News.
	5.15 p.m.—Light Music.
	5.30 p.m.—Paris Cabaret Music.
	5.45 p.m.—Starlight.
	6.00 p.m.—Soft Light and Sweet Music.
	Midnight Close Down.

Frankfurt, July 31. It's everybody's guess who will win the first general elections in the federal republic of Western Germany.

A guesser has three choices—the powerful left wing Social Democrats, the right wing Christian Democratic majority party, or the still unknown, untested force of "independents."

All other parties—including the noisy-campaigning Communists—will not be able to collect enough votes to get a major say in the future West German parliament to be elected on August 14 in the first democratic general elections on larger than state level since 1933 when Hitler took power.

Best bet to win a slight but probably decisive victory are the right wing Christian Democrats who netted majorities during municipal and state parliament elections in 1946-47 in most parts of Western Germany.

They are closely followed, however, by the Centralist, powerful Social Democrats, who may be able to outnumber their right wing counter-part by hammering on the partial failure of many Christian Democratic economic policies.

The CDU will, on the other hand, point to the convincing effects of last year's currency reform and stress that its success was mostly a result of their liberal economic plans. The SPD charged that the Christian Democrats made the poor poorer and the rich richer while the number of unemployed rose steadily.

Desperate Fight Both parties are fighting desperately to gain the slightest majority necessary to throw the other contestant into the opposition in the parliament. That would open the way for the much longed for two-party system in the American style.

If these two parties should come out about even, they will probably be compelled to enter a coalition although this coalition may also be formed when one of

Two Million Ex-Nazis

Refugees and ex-Nazis—the latter numbering about 2,000,000—will have a chance to vote for the first time now since both groups were debarred from voting earlier. Their political orientation is entirely unknown and it is expected that the number of independents sent to parliament will be extremely high.

Next in the row are the Liberal Democrats who were joined in an election coalition recently. They represent the rightist circles and may gain considerably from the ex-Christian Democrats and nationalist groups.

The Communists will probably not be able to gain more than their six per cent netted in previous post-war elections despite the ill effects of the Allied dismantling in the Communist-industrialized Ruhr area.

Splitting parties existing in various electoral districts will not influence the election outcome to any extent. They may change the picture locally but not alter the general situation.—United Press.

Red Leader Comes Down In The World

Dortmund, July 31.

More than 30,000 German Communists saw their leader, Herr Max Reimann, fall when his platform collapsed under him at an open air demonstration here today.

So may had jumped on the platform to deliver the address, who was recently released from prison, that it gave way under their weight, and threw them to the ground.

Herr Reimann served his prison sentence for threatening retaliation to West German politicians who co-operated with the Western Allies.

Marching columns, headed by the Red flag, converged on Hanna Square here for today's meeting after arriving from all over Western Germany by special trains and buses.

Factory walls at Ruhrort near here have been plastered for days with posters urging German workers to demonstrate today when Herr Reimann spoke, and leaflets were given away with a message from him saying: "When I speak in Dortmund I shall speak my mind and the gentlemen of the British, American and French Military Governments are invited to attend."

Herr Reimann's speech was preceded by an address from Herr Hermann Matern, representative of the Executive of the Socialist Unity Party in the Soviet Zone.

Herr Reimann was greeted with long cheering. He declared that the policy of Dr. Konrad Adenauer and Dr. Kurt Schumacher, leaders of the Christian Democratic and Social Democrat parties would lead to the permanent division of Germany, making West Germany a colonial state and perpetuating the occupation and her political and economic subjection.

Dealing with what he described as the economic slump in the West, the Communist leader declared that the American and British financial bosses are only interested in seeing through the Joint Export-Import agency that their own export trade should suffer as little as possible.

He declared that, according to the Potsdam Agreement, all displaced Germans could not be compelled to carry out "illegal" dismantling.

Amid loud cheering Herr Reimann demanded that dismantling should be stopped as well as all legal proceedings against Germans who had declined to carry out dismantling.—Reuter.

MP'S KILLED

Berlin, July 31. Two British military policemen were instantly killed today when their motor cycles collided in the Autobahn in West Berlin.—Reuter.

A Matter of Viewpoint

London, July 31. The newspaper "Sunday Pictorial" gave its readers today a picture of three American military policemen and a German civilian disarming a drunken soldier with the following caption: "Moscow—Brave son of Lenin is being savagely beaten by two Americans." "New York—Difficulties our boys have to face from trigger-happy Reds." "Berlin—Gallant German civilian intervenes between quarrelsome allies."

The "Pictorial" commented: "Truth—a drunk... Cops... that's all."—United Press.

VIKING SHIP AT CHATHAM

London, July 31. Hundreds of townspeople and holiday makers stood in heavy rain to see the Viking ship, Hugin, towed into Chatham Dockyard, where she was moored near some of the Royal Navy's most modern vessels.

The 53 "Vikings", after lunching as the guests of the three Services, rowed their ship up the River Thames to Rochester Pier large crowds again welcomed them.

The Mayor of Rochester, Alderman E. Washford, gave them a civic welcome beneath the Norman Keep.

They had ten as the guests of the Rochester Cruising Club and then visited the ancient Norman Cathedral, being received by the Dean of Rochester, the Very Reverend T. Crick.

After a tour, in which they saw evidence of the Roman, Norman and Dutch invasions of Britain, they were entertained at dinner by the Mayor in the ancient Corn Exchange.—Reuter.

JET EXPERT'S APPOINTMENT

Princeton, July 31. Dr. Luigi Crocco, an Italian pioneer in research on jet propulsion, has been appointed head of the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Jet Propulsion Centre at Princeton University.

For the last two years, Dr. Crocco has been engaged by the French Government as a special consultant for research on jet propulsion.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD SEA MAIL TO U.K. A surface mail to United Kingdom via ports per RMS "Carthage" will be closed at 5 p.m. today.

GPO: (Parcels) 5 p.m. August 4. (Reg.) 9 a.m. August 5. (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. August 5.

Kowloon GPO: (Parcels) 5 p.m. August 4. (Reg.) 9.30 a.m. August 5. (Ord.) 9 a.m. August 5.

This mail is expected to arrive at London on or about September 5, 1948.

It is hereby notified that all mail service for Shanghai, Tientsin and North China are temporarily suspended.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 40 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mail close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Mail are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3. Closing Times by Air.

Canton, (Kowloon GPO) 10 a.m., 1.20 p.m., 4 p.m.; (GPO) 9.30 a.m., 1.20 p.m., 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m.

Airmail for Swatow: Airmail for Foochow: Airmail for Kunming, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.

Airmail for Taipei: Airmail for Amoy, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m.

Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Ordinary Airmail (printed matters, samples and small packet post) for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

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HOMEWARDS	LEAVES HONGKONG	DUE LONDON
"CARTHAGE"	8th August	8th September
"CORFU"	28th September	4th October
"CANTON"	28th September	11st October
"CARTHAGE"	28th October	28th November
Via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden & Port Said.		

OUTWARDS	DUE HONGKONG	FROM
"BOMALI"	28th July	London & Continent
"TRUVELAN"	28th July	via Genoa & Brazil.
"BUCOTRA"	28th September	"
All ships proceed to Japan Ports.		
HOMEWARDS	LEAVES HONGKONG	FOR
"BURAT"	2nd August	Straits, Colombo, Genoa, Marseilles, London, Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"BOMALI"	28th August	"
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"GARBETA"	due 1st Aug.	from Japan.
"GARBETA"	due 3rd Aug.	for Singapore, Madras, Colombo, Persian Gulf, Bombay & Karachi.
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S.S. "MEREDITH VICTORY"	18th August
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"TJITALENGKA"	1st Sept.	18th August
"TJIBADAK"	15th Sept.	1st Sept.

MANILA SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TJIBADAK"	3rd August	
"RUYS"	10th August	
"TASMAN"	14th August	
"TJIPONDOK"	7th Sept.	
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	5th Oct.	21st Sept.
"BOISSEVAL"	14th Nov.	

SINGAPORE, PENANG and BELAWAN DELI SAILINGS ARRIVALS

"TASMAN"	9th August	8th August
"VAN HEUTS"	16th August	26th Aug.
"VAN RIEMSDIJK"	4th Sept.	

EAST & SOUTH AFRICA & SOUTH AMERICA SAILINGS ARRIVALS

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"TJIPONDOK"	4th Sept.	4th Sept.
"STRAAT MALAKKA"	24th August	4th Sept.

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JAPAN SAILINGS ARRIVALS

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

BETTER OUTLOOK IN AMERICAN BUSINESS

New York, July 31.

There was pleasant news for business and industry this week. Many corporations made more money than they expected in the first half of the year.

Prices strengthened a little and the decline appeared to be levelling in some industries.

Even the new familiar dips in retail sales and overall production were at a slower pace.

A note of confidence crept into some of the business surveys, notably a study by the National Association of Purchasing Agents. The men who buy the supplies for business and industry found production making a pretty good showing under the handicap of holidays.

Order booking, they said, showed the greatest strength since the start of the decline. The purchasing agents increased their buying but remained extremely conservative. Meanwhile, there were cuts in radio prices, on farm equipment implements and on men's wear and women's wear fabrics. The cloth price reductions were at the mill level on Spring lines. There was no indication whether these drops would be reflected on retail tags.

At Rock Bottom

The price cuts were an effort to stimulate buying. In some instances the reductions were to rock bottom levels. Economists reiterated that money to buy was in the prospective customers' hands.

Labour Department figures showed the housewife's marketing dollar would buy nearly three cents more of goods than last August and September when prices were at their post-war peak.

The same Department reported the factory worker's weekly earnings in June rose nearly a dollar.

Labour difficulties befogged the future. The Presidential fact-finding board, opened its steel hearings in New York. The Congress of Industrial Organizations' steel workers asked for a 30 cents an hour package increase.

Stock Doldrums

Eugene C. Grace, chairman of Bethlehem Steel, said such an increase would add \$5510 to \$5512 a ton to production costs. Robert R. Nathan, sometime new deal economist appearing for the CIO said the steel industry could afford to pay more.

Hot weather and timidity conspired to break down the summer advance on the New York Stock Exchange. Even unexpected good earnings statements could not shake the market from its lethargy.

The Government prepared to return to deficit financing on August 4.

The first time in more than three years the Government will borrow cash to meet

FUR AUCTION

Moscow, July 31.

Representatives of American, British and Swiss firms were the main buyers at the six-day, in-warehouse fur auction which ended in liquidated yesterday, the official Soviet news agency, Tass reported today.

More than 2,000,000 skins of all types of fur were sold. Re-

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RUSSIA'S MERCHANT MARINE

New York, July 31. The Soviet merchant fleet is less a factor in world shipping now than it was before the war, the American Merchant Marine Institute, an organization of shipping operators, said today.

This is in spite of the acquisition of German ships and the retention of American Lend-lease ships.

Only 34 of the 127 freighters and tankers transferred to Russia under Lend-lease have been returned, and efforts by the State Department to get them back have brought no reply from Russia, the Institute's statement said.

Russia had expected to become a leading competitor in merchant shipping after the war. In 1947 she announced a five-year plan to double the pre-war Soviet merchant fleet of 1,000,000 tons.

On January 1 this year Soviet Russia had only 423 ships of 1,783,000 tons, more than half of them at least 20 years old, the Institute reported.

It added that Russian cargo vessels maintain no regular service and only a few of them trade outside Soviet waters. From June 30, 1940, to June 30 this year, only five Russian ships called at New York.—Reuter.

SHIP MOVEMENTS

San Francisco, August 1. Ship departures on Sunday. Ajar for Manila.—Associated Press.

Sterling Decision Was Unanimous One

Wellington, July 31.

Mr. Walter Nash, New Zealand Finance Minister, said here today that at no time during the recent London Commonwealth Finance Ministers' Conference was Sir Stafford Cripps' statement that sterling would not be devalued questioned.

"Nor was the wisdom of this decision by the Chancellor questioned in any way," he added.

Mr. Nash, who arrived here today by air from London after attending the Conference, said that the Commonwealth Finance Ministers were unanimous that the Sterling Area's position must be maintained in the interest of world prosperity.

Mr. Nash said that the possibilities of increasing exports only when goods are freely imported by countries whose currencies are not devalued are receiving immediate attention.

Commitments under the import licences already issued will be honoured, but future applications for dollar import licences will be most rigorously screened. He said that only goods indispensable to New Zealand's economy and not available from sterling sources will be admitted from sources in which currency is not available without damage to the sterling reserve.

"The reduction of imports will not solve the ultimate problem, which can be overcome only when goods are freely imported by countries whose currencies now exceed their imports," he added.—Reuter.

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TIN OUTPUT FIGURES

The Hague, July 31.

World production of tin concentrates for May totalled 12,000 long tons compared with 13,000 long tons in April, the International Tin Study Group reported today.

Total production of the metal in May was 14,700 long tons, an increase of 1,000 tons over April.

The reason for the drop in production of concentrates was a slight decline in all important producing countries except Malaya. There the May figure was 5,505 tons, compared with 4,304 in April.

May production of the metal was at a satisfactory level in the principal countries: Malaya, 4,200 tons; United Kingdom, 3,215; United States, 3,007; The Netherlands, 2,155; Belgium, 1,100.

World stocks at the end of May were estimated at 135,200 tons. World consumption was 10,500 tons, the same low level as in April. World tin plate production dropped from 140,000 tons in April to 34,000 in May.

The Study Group called attention to the fact that British production figures refer to four or five week periods, making monthly totals not strictly comparable. Fluctuations in world production figures may be partly due to this discrepancy.

The world figures include those for Estonia in Western Germany and elsewhere for Japan and Brazil. Smelter production of metal includes the output of the refinery at Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia.—Associated Press.

Warning Over Removal of S'hai Industries

Shanghai, August 1.

The Deputy Manager of the Communist People's Bank, Lo Teng Kan, has warned 80 Shanghai industries and the Communist Board of Industry to proceed cautiously in moving industries out of Shanghai. This order has been widely publicized as a means of repopulating Shanghai. The Reds want to teach the city's department stores to "imperialism" foreign trade which has been cut off.

Lo agreed that many factories should be moved to the new materials. But he warned that most interior Chinese cities are too short of electricity, water, and raw materials to handle a large industrial plant.



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"BENALBANACH"	U.K. via Singapore.	End August.
"BENNEVIS"	do do	Early Sept.
"BENACDHUI"	do do	1st half Sept.
"BENAYON"	do do	2nd half Sept.
"BENWYVIS"	do do	Early October.

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SHIP	TO	LOADING
"BENRUACHAN"	London, Antwerp.	Early August.
"BENRECH"	Rotterdam, Hamburg & Hull.	Early Sept.
"BENALBANACH"	do do	2nd half Sept.
"BENNEVIS"	do do	Early October.
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"OYONNAX"	Japan	23rd Aug.
"LA MARSEILLAISE"	Marseilles	15th Sept.
"BREST"	Europe	20th Sept.

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"LA MARSEILLAISE"	Marseilles	15th Sept.
"BREST"	N. Africa & Europe	24th Sept.

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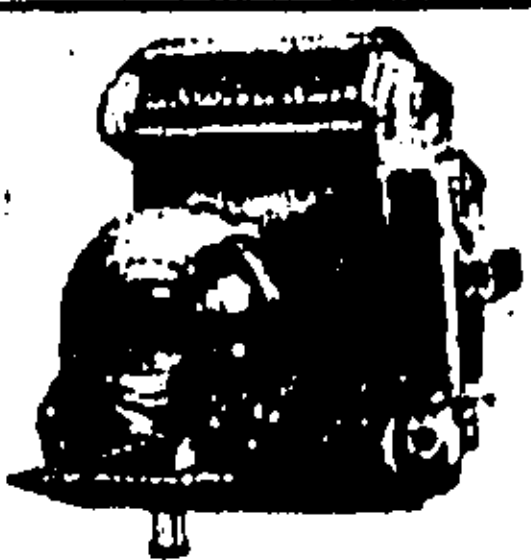
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Grading Plan Should Be Tried In England

(By George Tribe)

One of the chief differences I find between English and Australian cricket is that you don't try to make players here in the sense we do at home. My experience in England is that the county authorities wait until a player forces himself to the forefront by performances in his own particular league or association before they have a look at him.

To my mind that is a mistake. It is in direct contrast to Australian methods, under which the player of every kind, good, bad or indifferent, is encouraged from the beginning of the 14-16 years stage, when habits with bat and ball are formed and the foundations of a career laid.

Rain Halts Cricket Match

Swansea, August 1.

The New Zealand cricketers continued their first innings against Glamorgan, the county champions, here today. The weather, which was threatening rain, was good, but the match was stopped for 20 minutes when rain stopped the game and there was no more cricket before lunch.

The downpour caused confusion among the 15,000 spectators owing to the inadequate shelter on the ground. Most of them were huddled in the open, providing white protection they could.

There was no incident in the brief period of play. The new ball, which had not been claimed on Saturday, was called for immediately but neither Waller and Murrey, both shaped confidently, with Murrey claiming 14 of the 16 runs scored.

SCORES:

New Zealand, 1st innings:	
Sutcliffe, c. Waller, b. Haver	4
Scott, c. Cliff, b. Haver	15
Hadlee, b. Watkins	13
Waller, not out	169
Donnelly, b. Watkins	39
Smith, b. Haver	71
Habene, run out	0
Honey, not out	14
Extras	27
Total (for six)	378

—Reuter.

Bromwich Beats Vega In Davis Cup Game

Wilmington, Delaware, July 31.

John Bromwich, of Australia, beat Armando Vega, of Mexico, by 6-0, 6-1 and 6-4 in the first of today's remaining two singles in the American Zone final of the Davis Cup competition here, to increase Australia's lead to 4-0.

Australia already had made certain of winning the match. Australia ran out the match with a 5-0 victory when Bill Sidwell beat Miguel Varela (6-2, 6-2 and 6-1 in the first singles). Australia now meets Italy, the European Zone winners, for the right to challenge the holders, the United States.—Reuter.

Merchant To Captain Indian Cricket Team

Bombay, July 31.

Vijay Merchant, India's No. 1 batsman, was today selected to captain the Indian XI for the series of five unofficial Tests against the Empire cricket team which will tour India this winter.

A former Test captain, Merchant, who is 38, was out of first class cricket for two seasons due to ill health, but has now fully recovered and is in fine form.

The Indian Cricket Board of Control at its annual general meeting today decided that the unofficial Tests should be played in Delhi, Bombay, Calcutta, the United Provinces and Madras. The match in the United Provinces will be played on matting. The Board approved the following tour proposals: the invitation to New Zealand to tour India in 1950-51; a visit by the M.C.C. in 1951-52; and India to tour England in 1952.—Reuter.

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U.S. Swim Stars Due Here Today

The American Olympic swimming team is due here from Manila today at 2:30 p.m. by air.

It was officially announced last night, that rain or shine the original programme at the Ritz will be carried out tonight and tomorrow night.

Reservations for \$10 and \$20 tickets will be accepted at the China Emporium up to 3 p.m. today and tomorrow. After 3 p.m. reservations may be made at the Ritz.

Meanwhile United Press reported from Tokyo, the long arm of the American Amateur Athletic Union reached out to Japan today to impose a boycott on the planned exhibition here by eight American swimmers.

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Sam Snead Wins Western Open

St. Paul, Minnesota, July 31.

Unrelenting Sammy Snead never gave the others a chance today as he blasted par to win the US\$15,000 Western Open Golf tournament in a record 286 strokes.

The cool White Sulphur Springs ace clipped 20 strokes off par for his 72-hole total—two strokes better than a previous tournament record set by Johnny Palmer at Salt Lake City in 1947.

Cary Middlecoff of Memphis, Tennessee, scored from behind with a seven under par (65) today to grab second place money with a 272-stroke total.

Three players—Jimmy Demaret of Ojai, California, Lloyd Mangrum of Chicago and Chick Carter of Des Moines—were tied at 273, while bespectacled Skip Alexander of Lexington, Kentucky, trailed them by three strokes to take sixth place honours in the four-day medal play tournament.

His victory today gave the long-driving Southerner his third major championship of the year—previously he had won the National PGA and the Masters—and raised his 1949 earnings to \$23,550, highest among the travelling professionals.—United Press.

Gymnastics Display In Stockholm

Stockholm, July 31.

One hundred gymnastic experts have declared Finland to be the best team in the five-day Lingiad (Gymnastics display) which ended here tonight, according to the Stockholm newspaper, "Expressen."

The Lingiad is a demonstration and not a competitive event.

The experts judged the gymnasts of the 16 participating countries on 10 points: their strength, grace, physical condition, suppleness, precision, endurance, originality, beauty, spirit and body control.

They gave second honours to Estonia, followed by Switzerland, Sweden, Holland, India and Belgium.

The remaining countries—Australia, Brazil, Colombia, Denmark, France, Elze, Portugal and the United Kingdom—were given equal marks.—Reuter.

SWIMMING GALA POSTPONED

The swimming gala which was to be held at the United Services Recreation Club yesterday evening was postponed owing to the inclement weather.

Shirley May, Inc., To Swim English Channel

Dover, July 31.

Shirley May France, Incorporated, has arrived from the United States to swim the English Channel. The 16-year-old American girl and her retinue—incorporated under the law—hit England with a big splash of publicity and Shirley swiftly told the press: "I just can't lose."

Shapely, smiling Shirley will try sometime after August 8 to swim the 20 chilly miles from Cap Gris Nez, France, to Dover. She wants to beat Gertrude Ederle's record of 14 hours, 34 minutes for the cross-Channel swim.

She took her first trial plunge into the Channel today. The water was very choppy, so she made it a short dip.

When she tries for the record she will swim in the nude, says her coach, Harry Boudakian. "I suggested that Shirley dive in nude because a suit will rub off the layers of grease used to protect her from the cold water," Boudakian explained. Shirley eats heartily while training.

"She needs a steak a day," said Boudakian, "but we don't know how to find them over here with the meat rationing the way it is."

Glamorous Beauty

Shirley has been front page news in the British papers. They noted that her entourage includes a business manager and press agent, a coach, a trainer, a chaperone and a friend.

Reporting her arrival in London, the London "Star" said: "Tawny hair as glamorous as fox fur, and she flashed a smile as brilliant as a tooth-paste advertisement at the crowds."

Mrs. Willy C. Van Rysel of Holland, who tried last week to swim the Channel, met Shirley and gave her some tips.

"After 23 shampoos I still haven't all the grease out of my hair," said the Dutch housewife, who plans to try again.

The two women have one thing in common: They both swim in the nude, coated with grease.—Associated Press.

Says London Bout To Decide World Title

London, July 31.

The London boxing promoter, Mr. Jack Solomons, said on his return here today from his South of France holiday that, in spite of all the moves being made in the United States, the London bout on September 8 between Bruce Woodcock and Lee Savold will be for the world heavyweight title.

Referring to reports of American moves to stage a world title fight between the winner of the Woodcock-Savold contest and either Gus Lesnevich or Ezzard Charles, Mr. Solomons declared: "I am back ready for the fray, and the winner on September 8 will be the world champion. If Charles or Lesnevich are interested afterwards, we can talk."

"Joe Louis himself is coming for the fight and all the American big guns will be in London that day."

With Mr. Solomons was Savold and his manager, Mr. Bill Daly. The American heavyweight goes to Scarborough, Yorkshire, on Tuesday.—Reuter.

U.S. To Broadcast In Cantonese

Washington, July 31.

The State Department announced today that its "Voice of America" broadcasts to the Far East will be augmented by a new two-hour programme and by news reports in the Cantonese dialect beginning tomorrow.

The Department said that it is an effort to open new channels of information to the Chinese people to take the place of the United States Information Service and other news operations which the new Communist regime is suspending.

The new two-hour broadcasts will be heard in the morning hours in China (10:00 p.m. to midnight GMT) and will include news, commentaries and features in half in English and half in Mandarin.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Cranfield, July 31. A 26-year-old Finn, Arne Ellila, sole representative of his country, won the Blue Riband of model aircraft racing, the Wakefield Cup, here tonight.

It was stated to be the largest meeting of its kind in the world, with representatives competing from 18 countries.

The results were: 1.—A. Ellila 549.9 seconds duration (Finland). 2.—E. Sadorin 539.7 seconds duration (Italy). 3.—W. Fletcher 530.1 seconds duration (U.S.A.)—Reuter.

Prague, July 31. Czechoslovakia's has been reduced to a "tennis Cinderella" whose only hope lies in a large-scale training programme for youngsters from eight years upward, according to "Prace," the Trade Union daily newspaper, today.

The country's plight, it said, is due to the flight into exile of the Czech tennis stars Jaroslav Drobny and Vladimir Cernik.—Associated Press.

The Men's Softball League may have another team entering this season in the El Cumbancheros outfit.

The El Cumbancheros have held a meeting at which the question of joining the League was discussed. No decision has yet been taken.

Paris, July 31. Jean Lucasee, Lambeloy of France, the 1948 world champion, today won the 100-miles motor-paced cycling race at the Parc de Princes here before 8,000 spectators in 2 hours, 15 mins, 22.8 secs.

He was followed by (2) Gus Meulman, of Belgium, at 16 laps, (3) Paul Choquet, of France, at 23 laps, (4) Jacques Session, the Swiss champion, at 31 laps, (5) Louis Mennard, of France, at 34 laps, and (6) Jan Sraekel, the Dutch champion, at 35 laps.

Elie Forslo and Andre Le Liart, the champions of Italy and Belgium respectively, retired from the race.—Reuter.

Munich, July 31. The American tennis star, Earl Cechell, defeated Gottfried Von Cramm, Germany's leading ace, today teamed up to win the men's doubles title in the Munich tournament with a 6-3, 7-5, 3-6 10-8 victory over the German-Austrian combination of Buchholz and Huber.

Ven Cramm won the singles final from Buchholz by 3-0, 7-5, 6-1 and 6-0.—Reuter.

Detroit, July 31. The United States successfully defended the Harnsworth Trophy on the Detroit River when the race was renewed after a lapse of 10 years.

Skip Along, a motor boat owned by Mr. R. Stanley Dollar, won the race, clocking 92.285 miles an hour.

American boats were also second and third.

The lone Canadian challenger, Miss Canada IV, had supercharger trouble and finished last of the four competitors.—Reuter.

To Eat Roses Dipped In Champagne

Warminster, Wiltshire, August 1.

Nine English roses dipped in champagne will be eaten by nine young army officers at a dinner in Warminster, Wiltshire, tonight.

With one fork and a chair and the other on the table, so that everyone has a good view, each will take a freshly picked rose from a finger bowl of champagne.

The ceremony is part of the traditional Minden Day celebrations of the battalion encamped at Knook Camp, Warminster. Minden Day, August 1, is celebrated each year by six British army regiments as the anniversary of the day on which they took part in the Battle of Minden against the French in Germany in 1759.

Picked Roses. During the battle, the troops walked through fields and picked roses which they put in their head dress. At Knook Camp drums play the Minden March to revivify a wreath of roses placed on the regimental colours.

Each man wears a red or yellow rose-ornament because of the present high cost of roses in his head dress and the drums and band are decorated with roses.

The Colonel of the Regiment is taking the salute at today's ceremonial parade. He will also be present at dinner at which the band marches round the tables playing the Minden March.

Each officer, for whom it is the first Minden dinner, will be seated at a table with the regular battalion "will" stand and eat a rose. Finally, a silent toast will be drunk to all who are present.

Dodgers Beat Cards; Indians Lose To Bosox

New York, July 31.

Masterful pitching by the huge negro rookie, Don Newcombe, gave the Brooklyn Dodgers a 4-2 victory over the League leading St. Louis Cardinals in the National League today.

Thus the arch-rivals for the League leadership played each other to a standstill in their three-game series. Each won one game and the other was a tie, cut short by League curfew.

The New York Yankees and the Chicago White Sox divided honours in a doubleheader. The Yankees scored two runs in the last half of the ninth, one of them a homer by leftfielder Johnny Lindell, to win the opener 3-2.

Shortstop Luke Appling homered with two out and one on base to give the White Sox a 2-1 victory in the second game.

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Philadelphia	5 13 1
Chicago	4 7 2
Winning pitcher Jim Konstanty	
Los Angeles	0 12 1
Boston (1st game)	9 12 1
Pittsburgh	3 8 0
Winning pitcher Johnny Sain	
Los Angeles	5 10 0
Pittsburgh	6 11 0
Winning pitcher Harry Gumbert	
Los Angeles	10 15 0
New York (1st game)	0 4 0
Winning pitcher Larry Jansen	
Los Angeles	9 10 1
New York (2nd game)	0 10 1
Cincinnati	0 5 4
Winning pitcher Adrian Zabala	
Los Angeles	10 15 0
Winning pitcher Ken Raffensberger	

American League

Cleveland	0 8 0
Boston	3 8 0
Winning pitcher Maury McDermott	
Detroit	3 5 0
Washington	7 12 2
Winning pitcher Sid Hudson	
Los Angeles	3 9 1
Detroit (1st game)	0 8 0
Philadelphia	0 8 0
Winning pitcher Ted Gray	
Detroit (2nd game)	0 13 1
Alex Kellner	
Philadelphia	0 5 0
Winning pitcher Fred Hutchinson	
Los Angeles	2 9 2
Chicago (1st game)	0 8 0
New York	3 7 1
Winning pitcher Ed Lopat	
Los Angeles	2 10 1
Chicago (2nd game)	1 6 1
Winning pitcher Bob Kuzava	
Los Angeles	1 6 1
Winning pitcher Duane Pillette	

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